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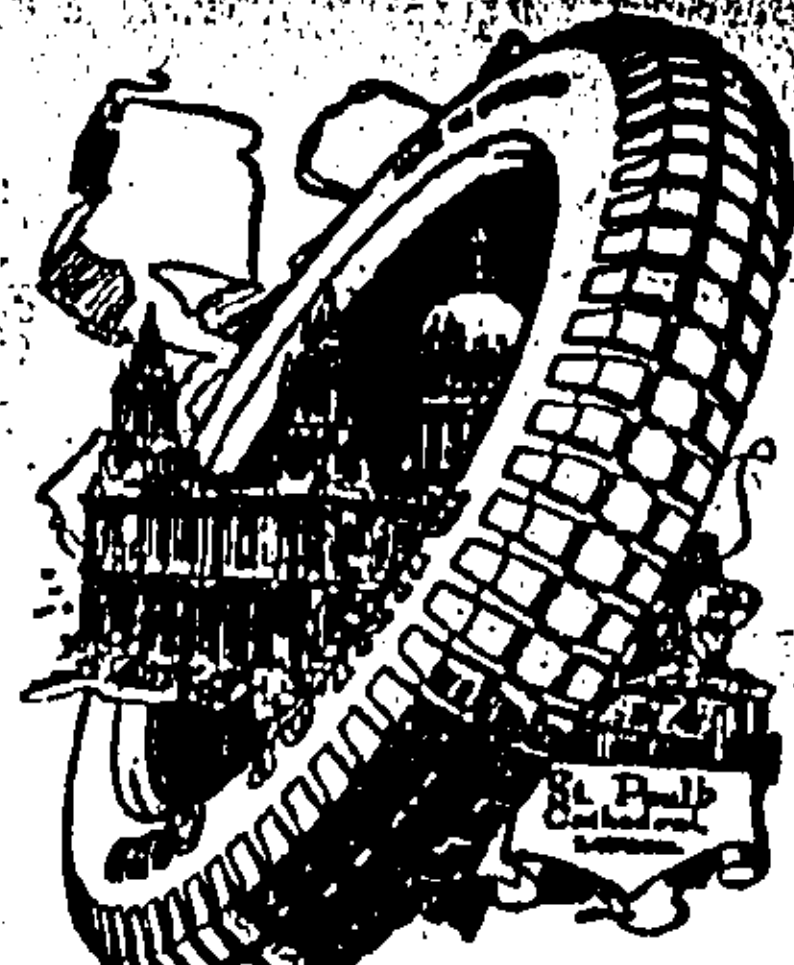
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LIVERPOOL FIRE TRAGEDY.

FOUR VICTIMS TRAPPED.

WOMEN AND TWO CHILDREN.

GRANDFATHER'S HEROISM.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Dec. 20.
A terrible fire tragedy occurred early this morning at Toxteth, a suburb of Liverpool. A woman, her two children and a woman companion were the victims.
Heroic efforts were made to rescue them from the blazing building, but all attempts proved unavailing and all four were burned to death in shocking circumstances.

The sole survivor of the terrible affair was the children's grandfather, an old-age pensioner, whose desperate efforts to effect a rescue resulted in serious injuries.

The outbreak appears to have started in the kitchen of the house. It spread rapidly and in a very short time the whole house was converted into a blazing furnace.

Victims Asleep.

The victims of the tragedy were asleep and they awakened to find their rooms full of smoke. A rush to the staircase revealed their terrible plight. One of the first parts of the house to become involved, it had collapsed before the inmates had any warning of their peril.

They were trapped in the upper story. The old man climbed up the drainpipe from the outside in a valiant attempt to rescue them, but he fell down to the pavement and badly injured his back.

Other people succeeded in smashing the upper windows, but were driven back by huge volumes of smoke and great bursts of flame.

Burned Beyond Recognition.

The firemen also found entrance impossible. When they entered after the outbreak had been got under control, they found the bodies of the victims burned beyond recognition.

MR. HUGO REISS PASSES.

HEAD OF SHANGHAI FIRM.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Dec. 21.
The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Hugo Reiss, one of Shanghai's best-known business men, who passed away at the Country Hospital at the age of 50 years.
The deceased gentleman, who was managing director of Hugo Reiss and Co., Inc., engineers and importers, was formerly Vice-President and Assistant General Manager of Messrs. Andersen, Meyer and Co., Ltd., and also a director of H.S. Honigsberg and Co., Inc.

EMPIRE BROADCAST SCHEME.

NEW SERVICE NEXT MONTH.

London, Dec. 21.
The British Broadcasting Corporation will begin on January 4th, 1932, to transmit a daily service of three news bulletins, of fifteen minutes each, from its short-wave station at Chelmsford. This will mark an important stage in the development of Empire broadcasting.
The bulletins will be broadcast at noon, 6 p.m. and midnight.—Reuter.

STARTLING TOKYO RUMOURS.

NEW POLICY IN MANCHURIA.

GEN. MINAMI TO BE GOV.-GENERAL.

A sensational report is in circulation, alleged to have had its origin in official circles at Tokyo, to the effect that General Juro Minami, who was Minister for War in the late Wakatsuki Cabinet, has been selected by the Japanese Government as the first Governor-General of Manchuria.
The report is said to indicate Japan's intention of perpetuating the control it has gained over Manchuria, and it is said that the ultimatum to Chang Hsueh-liang regarding the withdrawal of Chinese troops from Chinchow is a preliminary to General Minami's appointment.

Commentators state that the story reveals Japan's plans in a different light. Hitherto, ostensibly, the Tokyo Government has sought to establish an independent Chinese Government friendly to Japan. Now, it is suggested, she plans to follow the Chosen (Korea) precedent.

Former Tactics.

The 1894-95 war between Japan and China was primarily for the control of Chosen (Korea), and resulted in recognition of the independence of the peninsula.

The Russo-Japanese war of 1904-05 was followed by Russia's recognition of Japan's paramount interest in Korea. Japan continued her military occupation of the country, and in 1910 annexed it outright.
Many observers have professed to see this as the ultimate objective in Manchuria of Japan, whose tactics in the meantime would be gradual progress towards that end, as was the case in Chosen.

They point to the negotiations of Japan with the League of Nations council and other foreign governments as indications of a two-steps-forward-and-one-step-back policy.

Prelude to Annexation.

London, Dec. 21.
The Daily Herald, referring to the Japanese ultimatum to Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to withdraw from Chinchow, says Japan's policy is to clear the remnant of Chinese authority from Manchuria, as it was cleared from Korea thirty-five years ago.

Manchurian "independence," like Korean "independence," is a prelude to annexation.

This, says the Herald, is "active policy," as the Japanese call it. War and the Army are its instruments, despite the League of Nations and the Kellogg Pact.
The fact, adds the journal, are unpleasant, but they are facts which Geneva has got to face.—Reuter.

JAPANESE FORCES IN ACTION.

ANTI-BANDIT OPERATIONS THIS MORNING.

Tokyo, Dec. 21.
A general drive against bandits in districts around Changtu, north of Mukden, Fakuinen, north-west of Mukden and Hsinminfu, on the Peking-Mukden Railway, across the Liao River, was launched at four o'clock this morning by Japanese forces, according to an urgent press telegram from Mukden.—Reuter.

PEARL THEFT SEQUEL.

FOUR MONTHS' PRISON TERM.

Appearing on remand before Mr. Grantham, at the Central Police Court this morning, the Chinese who were arrested for stealing a travelling clock and a string of pearls belonging to Mrs. L. H. V. Booth, the wife of the Director of Criminal Intelligence, was given four months' hard labour.
The defendant, who was remanded from Saturday, was also ordered to be banished at the expiration of his prison sentence.

FRANCE AND THE WORLD CRISIS.



M. Laval, the Prime Minister of France.

UNCOMPROMISING ATTITUDE.

M. LAVAL ON REPARATIONS AND DISARMAMENT.

DISCOURAGING SPEECH.

M. LAVAL has again made it quite clear that whatever he carried back to France as the result of his visit to Washington and the discussion there of the world's problems of to-day, it contained little of the spirit of compromise.

In a statement yesterday of the French Government's attitude towards the forthcoming reparations and disarmament conferences, the Prime Minister revealed little that was new. At the same time, the manner of his emphasis was more than normally vigorous in discouraging hopes that a permanent triumph over the difficulties will be achieved.

"Never," he said, "will France be so imprudent as to accept formulas of hope at the Disarmament Conference."
The suggestion that the world's ills could be cured by the cancellation of war debts and reparations was dismissed by M. Laval as an "audacious theory."

REPARATIONS TO COME FIRST.

Paris, Dec. 20.
A downright declaration that France "will never be so imprudent as to accept formulas of hope" at the forthcoming Disarmament Conference and thus compromise the country's "security," was uttered by M. Laval, in the course of his speech on foreign policy to-day.
He added that France's army appropriations would be utilised solely for defence and not for aggression.

M. Laval then stated emphatically, in reference to the present discussions at Basle and the forthcoming reparations conference, that France will not allow the Young Plan to be torn up.

He dubbed the suggested cancellation of war debts and reparations as an audacious theory.
The French delegates to the reparations conference, he declared, would state clearly from the outset that Germany's position (capacity to pay) could be estimated only for the period of the world economic depression.

France would also uncompromisingly oppose the sacrifice of reparations to private debts.—Reuter.

Germany's commercial debts are entirely separate from Germany's political debts. Obviously an inquiry by the Basle Committee into the finances of Germany cannot ignore or omit Germany's liabilities of a commercial character, but any attempt to give a privileged position to these credits will be sternly opposed by France.

Three Aspects.

There are indeed three aspects to Germany's financial situation, which the French place in the following order: First, unconditional reparations payments, which should, at least in theory, be left unaffected by existing financial difficulties; second, conditional reparations which really correspond to allied payments to the United States, and if revised should entail similar revision of allied debts to America; third, German borrowings from foreign banks, chiefly British and American, which the French declare must wait their turn, and must not be given priority over reparations.

French Resentment.

What is resented by the French is the suggestion that French capital should in some manner be brought to the service of distressed Germany, and that British and American capitalists shall thereupon be allowed to withdraw their funds from Germany to the detriment not only

CHIANG KAI-SHEK NOT OUT OF PICTURE.

MAY RETURN TO POWER.

FIRM SHANGHAI BELIEF.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Dec. 21.
In spite of the developments of the past week, it is anticipated in reliable local Chinese circles that General Chiang Kai-shek will return to power within a short period.

The reasons given for the expectation are not very specific, but the confidence expressed in the soundness of this estimate of the political situation is regarded as significant.

It is pointed out, as one instance of the trend, that while Mr. T. V. Soong's resignation was actually prepared and ready for submission, it is extremely unlikely now that Chiang's brother-in-law will sever his connexion with the Finance Ministry.

Harmony Prospects.

The belief "is" growing—that harmony of some sort will be established between the rival factions and that Chiang Kai-shek will retain the bulk of his power, even if he is not re-elected President of the National Government, an event which is not at all remote.

National Congress Delay.

Nanking, Dec. 21.
The opening of the Fourth Kuomintang National Congress scheduled for this morning was postponed owing to delay in the arrival of the Cantonese delegates from Hongkong and the indisposition of Mr. Wang Ching-wei who is not expected in Nanking for one or two days.

Mr. Sun Fo has received a telegram from General Chan Chai-tong announcing his intention to attend the Congress together with Admiral Chan Chak and General Chang Wei-chung.

General Chiang Kai-shek has cancelled his trip to Feng Hwa in order to devote his full attention to the Conference. Mr. Hu Han-min has cabled Marshals Yen Hsi-shan and Feng Yu-hsiang asking them to attend the Kuomintang Congress.—Reuter.

TEST CRICKET.

BELL'S BRILLIANT BOWLING.

AUSTRALIA OUT.

Sydney, Dec. 21.
Australia's last three wickets fell this morning for an addition of only 25 runs. Oldfield, who was not out 4 on Saturday, was caught by Cameron off Ball when he had added four. Wall made six and was sent back and Ironmonger failed to score.

All three were caught off Bell's bowling. Wall by Morkel and Ironmonger by Cameron.

Grimmett was not out 9 when the last wicket fell, the total being 469, against South Africa's 153.

Bell's brilliant bowling to-day gave him an analysis of 46.5 overs, six maidens, 140 runs and five wickets. Quinn took one for 95, Morkel one for 38, Vincent two for 75 and Brown 1 for 100.—Reuter.

Through a box falling on him whilst loading cargo on board a Kowloon Godown lighter, a boatman, Ip Yan, received injuries necessitating his removal to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment. His condition is regarded as being fair.



Some of the delegates at the Burma Round Table Conference, which is drawing to a satisfactory conclusion. At the right is the only woman member of the Burman delegation.

ONE-MAN KU KLUX KLAN.

LOCAL YOUTH'S ESCAPE.

QUEER ROBBER PARAPHERNALIA.

"It is strange that he continued to carry the basket as he ran," said Sgt. Rozeskiw.
"Stranger still that one man should attempt to commit an armed robbery," commented Mr. F. X. D'Almada, Snr.

The above remarks were made in an extraordinary case before Mr. Schofield this morning. Wong Pak-yan, a youth scarcely 17, nephew of a wine merchant, was in the dock answering a charge of attempted armed robbery, and it was said of him that he had been labouring under an obsession—that his services were needed in Manchuria to fight the Japanese.

An Obsession.

Mr. D'Almada, who represented him, said the obsession had moved the youth since the Sino-Japanese crisis, to make repeated attempts to obtain money from his mother in Canton. Far from winning the sympathy which he sought, on each occasion he was told to go and get work.

In the last resort to secure the necessary funds to enable him to go up North, it would appear that the youth turned to armed robbery. In this he proceeded with all the hall-marks of an amateur.

A white hood with two holes for eye-slits, the provision of which constituted his first care, was most probably borrowed, as an idea, from the cinema.

Brace and Bit for Burgling?

The purpose of a brace and bit, no less than two feet in length, has excited a good deal of conjecture, but it might be reasonably supposed that he had some hazy idea of using it against a "strong room."

Twelve coils of rope, the next detail in this equipment, apparently conveyed a hope that he would perform superhuman feats against that number of possible victims, while two meat knives, their points ground to the fineness of a stiletto would certainly have inspired terror.

This fearsome array of weapons notwithstanding, his courage gave away at the critical moment. When a nervous woman living at 173, Wongsai-chong Road saw a man in a white hood in the entrance hall standing majestically over another tenant whom he had previously surprised, the spectacle was too much for her. She screamed and that let pandemonium loose.

The would-be Manchurian hero ignominiously fled. It did not occur to him even then that the

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JAPAN'S MOVES.

ANOTHER ULTIMATUM TO CHANG HSUEH-LIANG.

Tokyo, Dec. 19.
Mukden reports, received in
Tokyo yesterday, to the effect that
the Japanese are preparing to
deliver an ultimatum to Marshal
Chang Hsueh-liang to withdraw
from Chinchow, are virtually con-
firmed in authoritative quarters.
It is understood that the Japa-
nese Government is sending one
warning to Chang Hsueh-liang
through the Japanese Legation in
Peking, while General Honjo will
send a similar warning direct to
Junz Chin, Chang Hsueh-liang's
Chief of Staff.
The warnings will demand a
withdrawal inside the Great Wall
within a stipulated time.—*Reuter*.
Chinese Disson.

Tokyo, Dec. 19.
The Chinese Minister in Tokyo,
Mr. Chiang Tso-pin, proceeded to
Nanking last evening in response
to an urgent summons from the
Chinese Government in the after-
noon.

Mr. Chiang Tso-pin visited Mr.
Inukai, Japanese Foreign Minis-
ter, when it is reported, they "ex-
changed views on certain impor-
tant matters for nearly an hour,"
though the nature of their con-
versation has not been revealed.
—*Reuter*.

Dr. Sze Still Unwell.

London, Dec. 18.
Dr. Alfred Sze, Chinese Ambas-
sador in London, has returned
from Paris. He is still suffering
from the results of his illness
and has gone to the country for
a few days to recuperate.—*Reuter*.

Russian Attitude.

London, Dec. 19.
The existence of an understand-
ing between Tokyo and Moscow
regarding the situation in Man-
churia is reported by the *Daily*
Telegraph's Diplomatic Correspon-
dent, who says the understanding
is not purely a tacit, but a positive
one.

Russia is intent on making the
fullest capital possible out of
what she regards as the definite
occupation of South Manchuria by
Japan.

The Correspondent says that
since the Japanese occupation will
drive a wedge between China Pro-
per and the Russian sphere of in-
fluence in North Manchuria, the
Soviet considers that its hold over
the Northern Railway will now be
strengthened and not weakened by
the Japanese occupation of the
Southern zone.

In other words, declares the
Correspondent, Moscow intends
that its tenancy of the Chinese
area, through which runs the
Chinese-Eastern Railway, will be-
come a veritable occupation such
as Japan is about to establish in
South Manchuria.

He adds that this, perhaps, is
the chief reason why Russia offered
nothing but the most platonic
protest against the present Japa-
nese activities farther South.—*Reuter*.

The League Inquiry.

Paris, Dec. 19.
General Claudel, member of the
Supreme War Council, and Inspec-
tor General of Colonial Troops,
has been asked to represent
France on the League Commission
of Inquiry in Manchuria. He has
not yet replied to the invitation.

It is already certain that Gen-
eral Claudel will accept the invita-
tion to join the Manchurian Com-
mission.—*Reuter*.

Britain's Representative.

London, Dec. 19.
So far no British appointments
to the Committee of Inquiry have
been made.

The idea that the three great
Powers should nominate each a
jurist, a soldier, and a commercial
member has been abandoned.
It is expected that Britain will
appoint a jurist and a commercial
member.—*Reuter*.

American Representative.

Washington, Dec. 19.
The State Department has ad-
vised the League of Nations that
it will not object to the participa-
tion of Mr. Walker Hines, ex-
Director of Railways in the neu-

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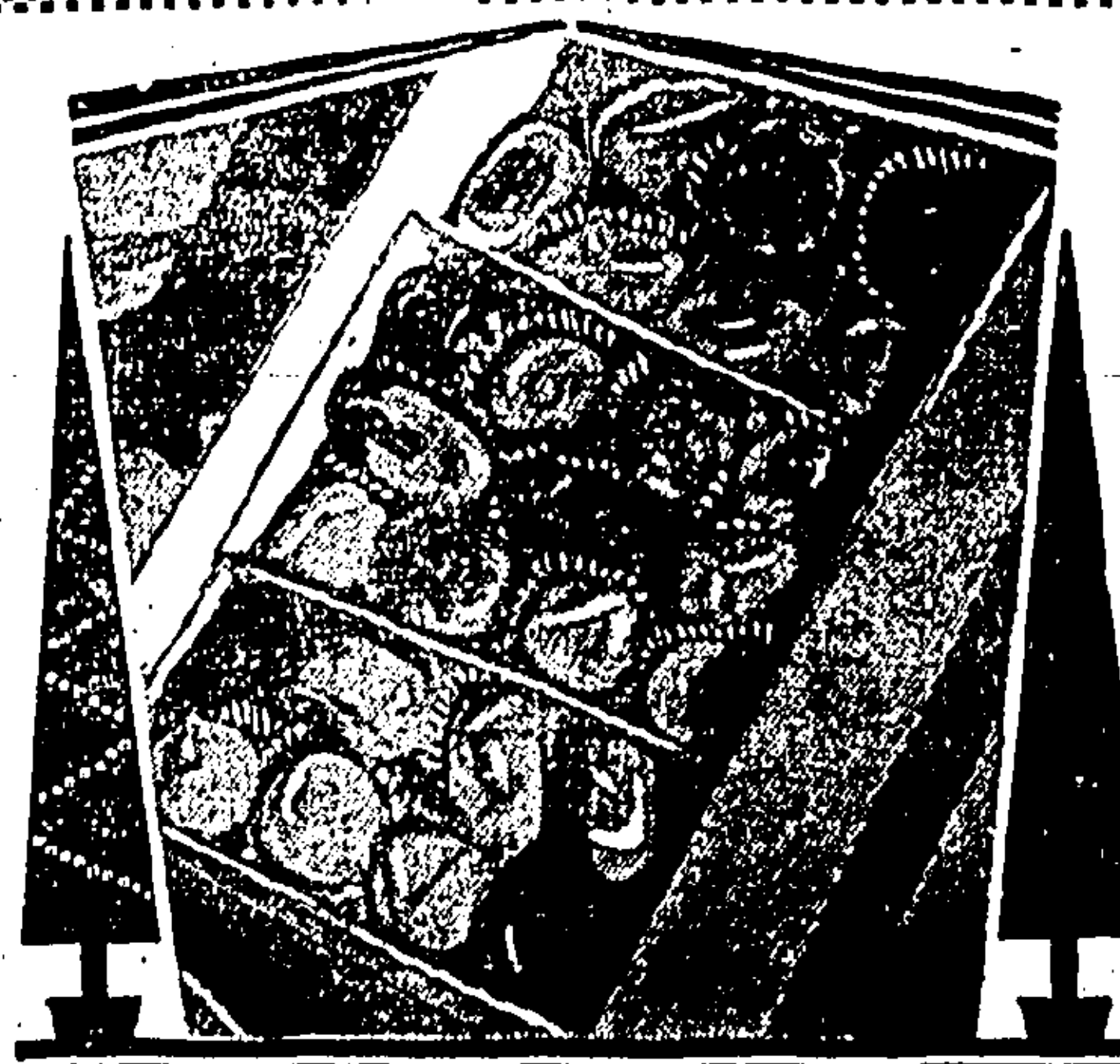
\$240,000 BORROWED FROM
NATIVE BANKS.

Fifty-two creditors representing
some of the leading firms and many
native banks assembled on Saturday
afternoon at the premises of Messrs.
Hing Kee, of 83, Jervois Street, which
has suspended business on account of
unavoidable commercial circum-
stances, and resolved that a morat-
orium be introduced to permit the
management of this company to settle
their accounts with the creditors.

The manager of this firm is not
in the Colony at the moment but the
creditors resolved to invite him to
administer the firm's business.

It is estimated that the firm's debts
among the native banks alone amount
to \$240,000, while about \$280,000 is
owed to individuals. In addition to
this, the firm owes a leading Chinese
exporters in Tokyo Gold Yen 48,000.
On the other hand the assets of the
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which other firms owe to Hing Kee,
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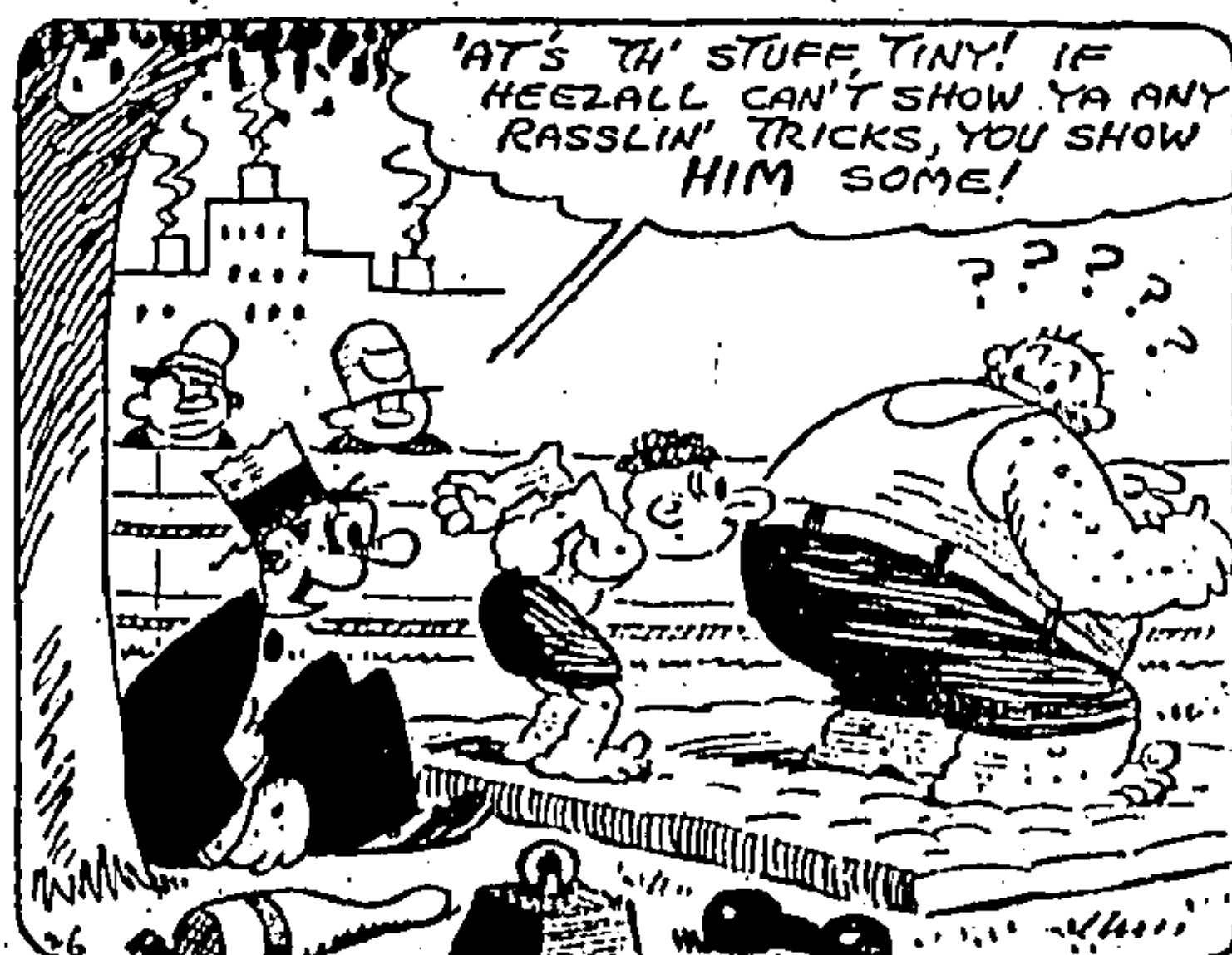
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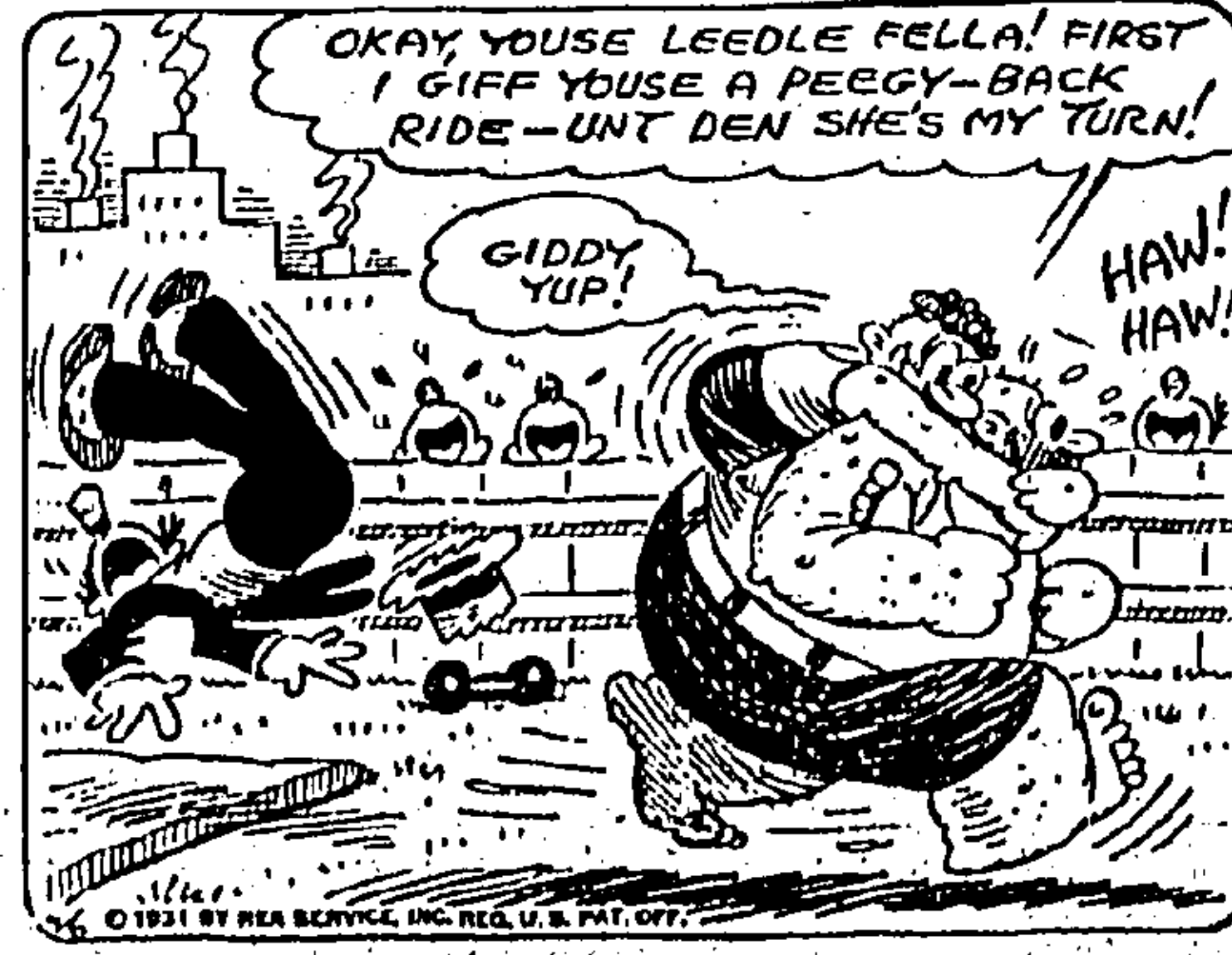
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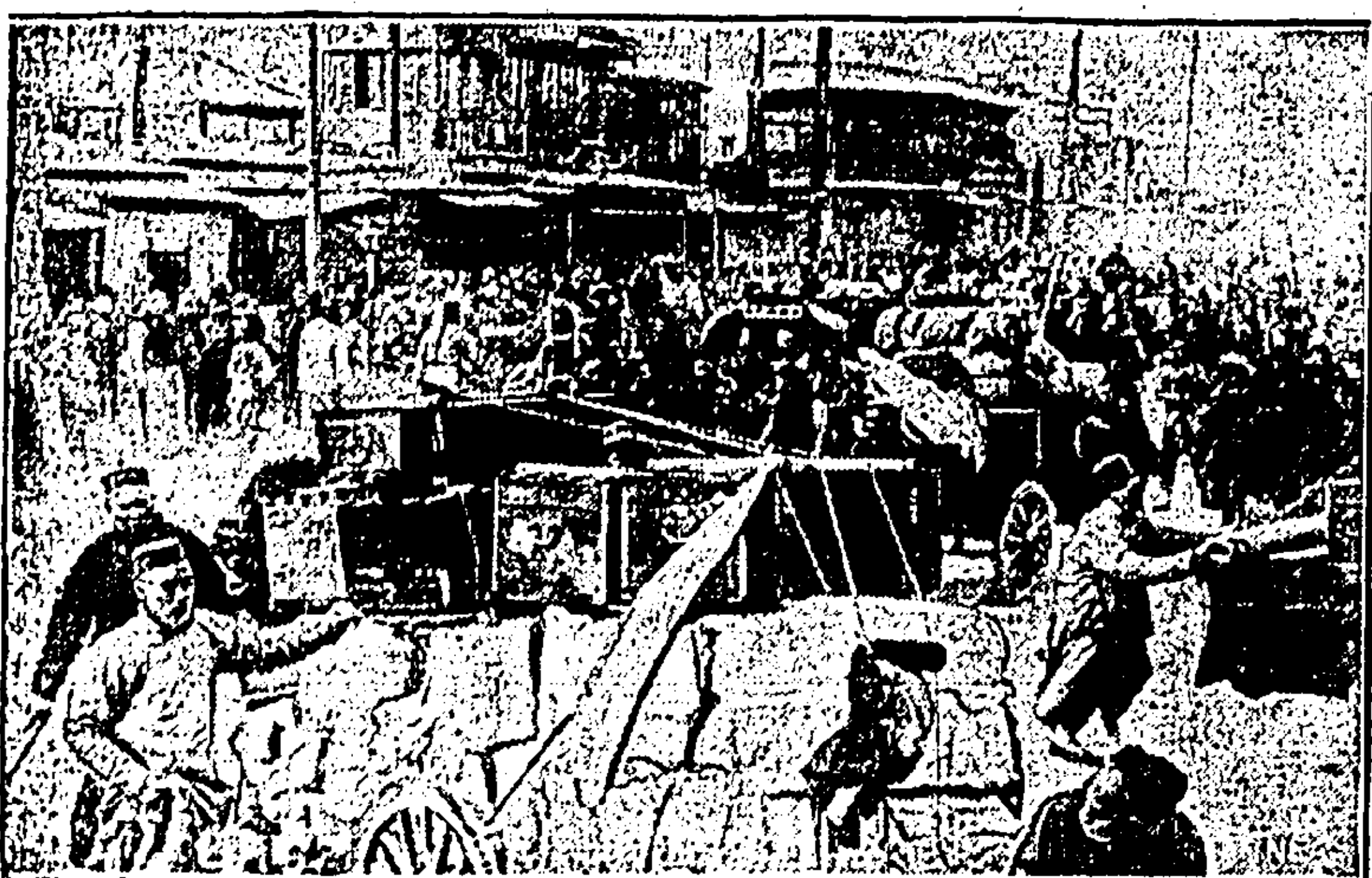
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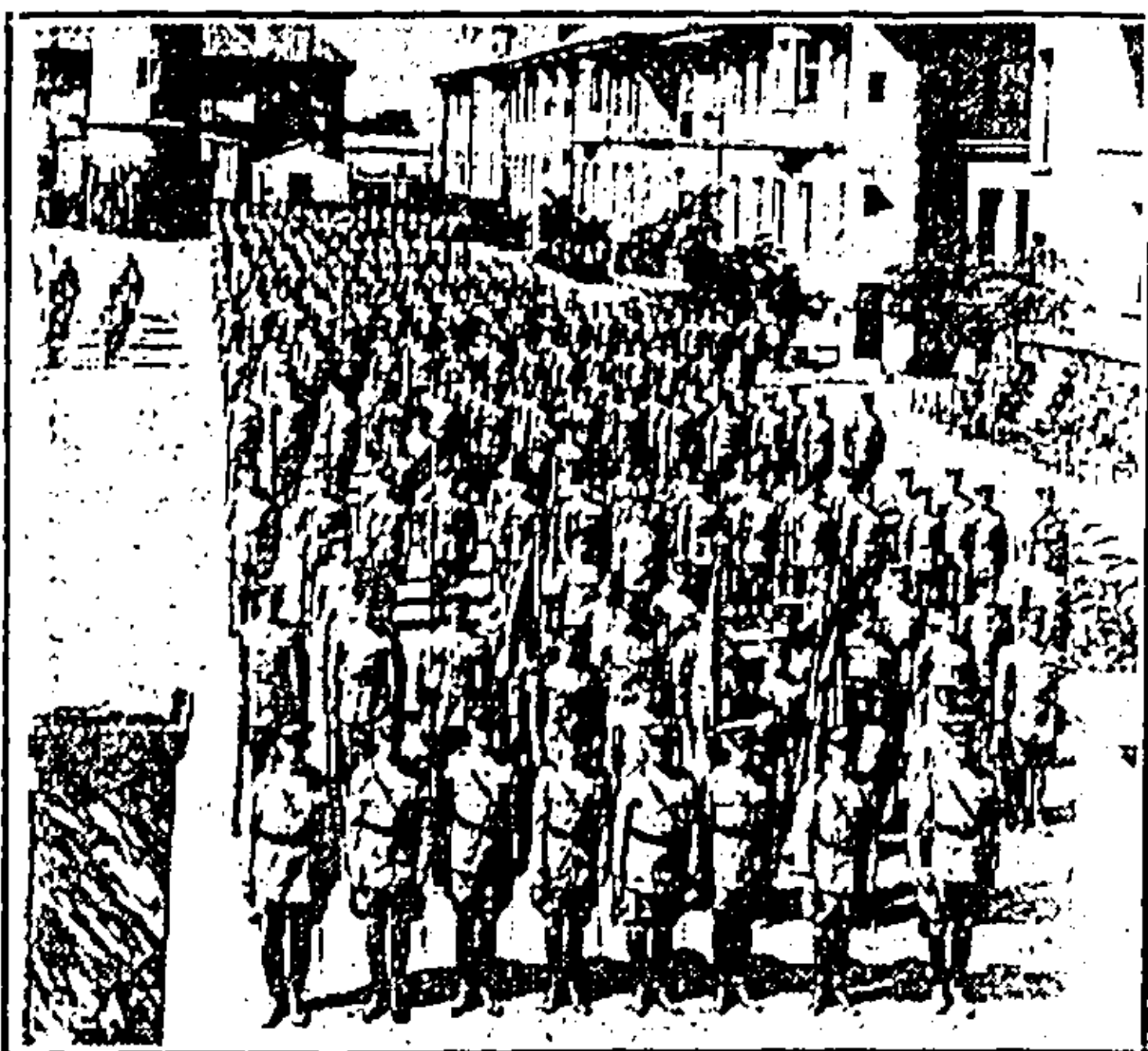
TIENTSIN RIOTS: BATTLE OF YSER VETERANS: NEW U.S. CRUISER.



A scene in Tientsin, where rioting near the foreign settlement brought a bombardment of the city by Japanese troops. This view shows wealthy Chinese hastily moving into the Concession areas.



The light cruiser Indianapolis taking the water after launching ceremonies. When she is turned over to the navy next summer she will carry nine eight inch guns, eight five inch anti-aircraft guns, and two torpedo tubes.



The 15th U.S. Infantry at Tientsin, which was called out when rioting broke out near the foreign settlement.



Seventeen years ago, an exhausted but triumphant Belgian army, led by its King, watched enemy forces retreat after two weeks of fierce fighting at the battle of the Yser. And above the same leader, King Albert, is shown shaking hands with veterans of that important engagement during commemoration ceremonies held recently in Brussels.

Gems of Peril

CHAPTER X.

HAZEL
ROSS HALEY

Cold fury, such as she had never dreamed she could feel, possessed Mary at Inspector Kane's indifferent words. Within a few hours of another, someone's hand had struck down the two people she loved on earth, except her sweetheart, Dirk. She had thought of the wheels of justice grinding slowly, but surely towards the capture of that man. While he lived, how could anyone with a drop of pity in his heart, rest content.

"Everything that could be done has been done," Kane said. "If the jewels ever turn up, or if we find the car, we'll have positive evidence. Nothing to do but wait."

Mary suffered a feeling of vast disillusionment concerning the processes of justice and that great institution known as "the Police." She had believed in "the Law" as she had believed in God, and in Inspector Kane as its prophet. And here he was, helpless, like any other mortal.

She did not realize it, but in that moment was later to take possession of her. The idea of seeking personal vengeance on her brother's killer, who she was sure, was Mrs. Jupiter's murderer, too, came later in all its details. But the genesis of it was right there, in the chilling discovery that in deep extremity the only one to be depended upon is one's self.

Perhaps Kane felt her criticism, for his affability gave way to grievance.

"Police work is not so simple as some people think, Miss Harkness," he told her. "It's hard enough at best, and when people put stumbling blocks in our way—well, if you'd been frank with us about your brother coming to the house that night, we could have had the story out of him at once—and the case settled. It's too late now. We can do nothing but let the matter drop."

Slowly the implication of his words came home to the girl.

"What do you mean by that?" she asked, "you mean you think Eddie came in—and killed—"

Kane looked at her keenly.

"I meant only what is self-evident from the facts in the case," he said. "He made a restless movement of dismissal. 'I don't think we'll get anywhere threatening this out any further, Miss Harkness. You come in and see me again any time you like. If I have anything to report, I'll be glad to tell you.'"

Mary said, "Tell me what you meant!" implacably.

"Well, what do you think?" he burst out. "What are the facts?" He held up two massive fingers and ticked them off, one at a time

"Your brother had opportunity, and he had motive. What does it matter that he never did such a thing before in his life? How do you know he didn't? What do you know about him, anyway?" Before she could answer, he added with an air of wisdom, "Nobody on earth knows less about a man than his sister. Unless it is his mother, maybe."

"You think that Eddie killed Mrs. Jupiter?" Mary was shivering uncontrollably. She sat stiffly, fighting for self-control, cold fingers gripping tightly the gloves lying in her lap.

If she cried she would make a fool of herself, and this man and his stupidity must be fought with other weapons than that. While she struggled to stop the tears that squeezed out and ran wetly down the sides of her nose, Kane went on "making his case."

"Eddie had to get his hands on \$16,000 and do it in a hurry. We know that much. I had those boys in, those roommates of his. One's an elevator boy in an office building. He was the one got your brother in the way of following the races. He used to place bets for 'clients' in the building. Eddie made a little pile and was feeling rich, so he went down to the tracks and started playing the sport. He met some 'big shots,' and the boys didn't see quite so much of him for a while. But it wasn't long before he was back. He'd got hold of the long end of a 15-to-1 shot, and couldn't pay off."

"It must have surprised him some when the chap, whoever he was, demanded his money. That's the trouble with a kid like that playing for big stakes. When he loses, he's like a woman—he wants to wiggle out of it. Every man hates a wimp. Eddie knew that, and he knew more than that—if he didn't come through quick, he was due for a good beating-up, at least. They've got funny ideas around the race-tracks about taking bigger odds than you can afford to lose."

"Evidently the chap Eddie picked up with was a hard cookie. Maybe he needed the money in a hurry to meet obligations of his own. Maybe he was just sore and wanted to give the kid a lesson. Anyway, he put it up to the kid to come through, or—"

"In desperation, Eddie went to your employer and asked for a loan. Twister don't like kids much, does he? I guess he'd had his hands full with that wild one of his own. Anyway he offered him a job at \$35 a week learning the automobile business. You can figure out your-

self how long it'd take Eddie to pay off at that rate, even providing the guy would wait.

"Why didn't he come to you for it? Well, he knew you didn't have it. And he had some idea you'd bail him out, I expect. Jupiter tells me the kid made him swear not to tell you he'd even asked."

"There was nothing left but to take it off people that had it and wouldn't miss it—the guests at your party. He made it all right with you to let him in, came and went in the other fellow's car. Only it wasn't in the cards that he was to shoot. That was pure funk."

"The old girl was no set-up, though—she yelled. And that was her big mistake. If she'd kept still and forked over, she'd be alive today. He knew he had to silence her or have it all come out and spoil your party, not to mention your life, so he shot her."

Mary listened with fascinated attention as the links fell into place, forming a chain of probability so plausible that for the moment she was benumbed into seeing the thing through his eyes.

"He may not have meant to kill her, I don't know," Kane continued. "The gun went off right in my hand. God, I've heard 'em say it a thousand times! But he plugged her just the same, even if it was just a nervous twitch of the finger. Instinct of self-preservation, they call it. I call it funk."

"If," said Mary, "all this should be true, why don't you arrest the other man—this 'hard cookie' you speak of? Eddie was just a boy. Nineteen. He didn't know his way around, and that man did. He's to blame, as much as Eddie—more so. Why don't you arrest him?"

"I'm winning," Kane said, arrogantly. "Why don't you tell me where he is?"

Mary perceived that this was humor, but she was not amused.

"Surely, the car—"

"There's a hundred Lorimors like that in this part of the country, most of 'em parked in garages you have to have an engraved, gold-edged invitation to get into. My theory is the man's a society blood. Lorimer was parked in some Park Avenue garage right this minute, and the man that owns it dining at the Ritz."

"It was a Lorimer that brought—"

"whoever came to rob the house that night, too. Doesn't that look as if the murderer wanted Eddie killed?"



Fire that broke out at a Hoboken, N. J., dock was endangering a trans Atlantic liner, smaller shipping and scores of waterfront structures when this picture was taken of the blaze. While all available apparatus was rushed to the scene, a heavy pall of smoke was swept over the Hudson toward New York. The steamer Statendam was towed from her mooring and the fire aboard her extinguished.

tryin' to make time up a side street, heating the lights at a corner where there was no cop. Might a been Rolle or a Mercedes—any of them big cars. It happened to be a Lorimer, that was all. There was a uniformed driver, like they all have. Pure coincidence, Miss Harkness."

It had looked so damningly clear to her before—the cars being the same, that deadly swerve, just as Eddie was crossing the street to speak to her, to tell her the whole story. No it seemed a dim impractical theory. And she could never prove it, now. Eddie's lips were sealed. Only one man knew—the man in the Lorimer car.

She would find that man and make him talk. She would get from him the true story, somehow. If no one else would do it, she would do it herself. The absurdity of this fierce resolve did not occur to her. She was too grimly serious.

"Oh, if only Eddie were here—her eyes filled with tears."

"Oh, if only I'd got there sooner! It always seems to be my fault. My carelessness. I'm to blame for it all!"

Kane chose her moment of weakness to grow pompous. "Not that, Miss Harkness, but you certainly might have been franker with us than you were."

That was a sore spot with him, apparently, and would remain so. "Oh, please!" "I've explained that so many times!"

"I know. That boy friend of yours told you to keep still. He'll get too big for his boots some day. Withholding evidence. You know, I suppose, he went to the district attorney and asked him not to make a special investigation. The family was satisfied, he said, to let the matter drop."

"Dirk did that? Why, he wouldn't do such a thing!" "Wouldn't he? He and his father represent Jupiter, you know. And Jupiter wants the whole inquiry quashed. Told me not to go any farther with it, and refused further help."

Mary gasped. "Why, I heard him say he'd never be satisfied until he found the man who killed his wife!"

"Maybe he thinks as I do, Inspector Kane said."

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These Greyhounds will be sold to members at \$300 each and are eligible for racing at the Club's "Green Island" Track, Macau.

Members wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

Names will be booked in the order as received.

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F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1931.

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Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Rule of Racing No. 83, the China Pony Subscription Griffin No. 183, dun, 14 hands, will be sold by auction at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay on Thursday, 24th December, 1931, at 5.15 p.m.

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HOME FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Saturday's Home football matches resulted as follows:—

| | | | |
|--------------|---|---------------|---|
| Aden Villa | 1 | Blackburn | 5 |
| Bolton | 2 | Everton | 1 |
| Chelsea | 2 | Birmingham | 1 |
| Grimsby | 0 | West Brom | 0 |
| Huddersfield | 5 | Blackpool | 0 |
| Leicester | 1 | Portsmouth | 0 |
| Liverpool | 1 | Derby | 1 |
| Millwall | 2 | Arsenal | 5 |
| Newcastle | 5 | Sheff. U. | 3 |
| Nottingham | 1 | Manchester C. | 1 |
| Sheff. Wed. | 2 | Sunderland | 2 |
| West Ham | 2 | | |
| Abandoned | | | |

SECOND DIVISION.

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| Bradford | 2 | Plymouth | 0 |
| Burnley | 1 | Millwall | 0 |
| Charlton | 4 | Barnsley | 2 |
| Chesterfield | 4 | Port Vale | 0 |
| Manchester U. | 0 | Bristol C. | 0 |
| Nottingham | 0 | Bury | 2 |
| Sheff. U. | 2 | Bradford C. | 1 |
| Southampton | 2 | Leeds | 2 |
| Stoke | 0 | Swansea | 0 |
| Tottenham | 3 | Oldham | 2 |
| Wolves | 0 | Notts County | 0 |
| Abandoned | | | |

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

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|---------------|---|-------------|---|
| Bournemouth | 1 | Brentford | 3 |
| Brighton | 3 | Luton | 2 |
| Bristol R. | 2 | Fulham | 2 |
| Clapton P. | 2 | Reading | 0 |
| Crystal Pal. | 0 | Exeter | 2 |
| Gillingham | 1 | Gillingham | 1 |
| Norwich | 1 | Norwich | 1 |
| Queen's P. R. | 6 | Thames | 0 |
| Swindon | 3 | Northampton | 0 |
| Torquay | 2 | Southend | 1 |
| Watford | 2 | Coventry | 0 |

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).

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| Accrington | 1 | Hull | 1 |
| Carlisle | 4 | Chester | 3 |
| Crawley | 6 | Hartlepool | 0 |
| Doncaster | 3 | Derlington | 2 |
| Rotherham | 2 | New Brighton | 2 |
| Southport | 2 | Hallifax | 2 |
| Stockport | 2 | Harrogate | 2 |
| Tranmere | 4 | Gateshead | 3 |
| Wrexham | 1 | Lincoln | 0 |
| York | 2 | Walsall | 0 |

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION).

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| Airdrie | 0 | Kilmarnock | 2 |
| Ayr | 2 | Falkirk | 0 |
| Dundee | 3 | Falkirk | 1 |
| Gowdenbent | 4 | Aberdeen | 1 |
| Dundee | 4 | Rangers | 2 |
| Hearts | 5 | Dundee U. | 0 |
| Motherwell | 4 | Men's Park | 1 |
| Partick | 1 | Morton | 0 |
| St. Mirren | 3 | Clyde | 1 |
| Third Lanark | 4 | Hamilton | 1 |

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (SECOND DIVISION).

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| Alloa | 1 | Hibernians | 2 |
| Armadale | 1 | Dunfermline | 4 |
| Edinburgh | 1 | Brechin | 1 |
| Forth Stirling | 5 | Queen O' St. | 0 |
| Forth Stirling | 4 | Forth Stirling | 2 |
| Montrose | 0 | Albion | 2 |
| Rath Rovers | 5 | Arbroath | 1 |
| St. Bernard's | 0 | Dumbarton | 0 |
| St. Johnstone | 5 | King's Park | 0 |
| Stenhouse | 0 | East Fife | 2 |

WRESTLING.

A PRACTICAL EXAMINATION IN JU-JITSU.

Two pupils entered for a practical test in Ju-Jitsu yesterday at 11 a.m. at the Maurice College of Physical Education. They are Charles Chanatong, Hongkong's Strongest Boy, and Fred Britton, of China. Underwriters, a scientific Ju-Jitsu and one of the best among Maurice pupils. Both of them passed out with a very high percentage, the latter securing full marks.

Both are participating in the forthcoming competitions. Mr. James Evans and Mr. Sullivan were present at the College when the test was held and after the test was over the pupils were congratulated by both winners. Their diplomas for Ju-Jitsu will be given to them during the prize-giving which is to take place on December 27.

Mrs. A. Brasier-Creagh, Representative of the Muller Institute and Mayfair Gymnasium, London, has offered her services for the competition. The Committee has been pleased with her kind offer and has made her another judge for the "Hongkong's Most Perfect Man" contest.

WEEK-END CRICKET.

OWEN HUGHES' DEADLY BOWLING IN FOUR BALLS.

A feature of the week-end cricket was the success of Owen Hughes with the ball. Playing against the Civil Service in a League match, he took four wickets in four balls, and was largely responsible for the defeat of the Civil Servants.

CLUB'S VICTORY.

Civil Service Beaten By Seven Wickets.

The Civil Service, playing on their own ground, were defeated by the Hongkong Club by seven wickets. Taking first innings of the wicket, Civil Service could only make 66 runs against some very steady bowling. Richardson alone out of the whole side was able to face the bowling with any confidence, and none of the succeeding batsmen entered double figures. Owen Hughes distinguished himself by taking four wickets with four successive balls, getting the wickets of Richardson, Barrow, Gowan and Ling. He took the first wicket off the ball of one over and added the other three in his next over. As far as can be remembered this is the second instance of this kind, Goodwin, of the Kowloon Cricket Club, performing similarly against the Chinese Recreation Club a couple of years ago. The Club had no difficulty in passing their opponents' total for the loss of three wickets, but after that Baker wrought havoc with the ball, returning an analysis of four wickets for 12 runs. Mitchell was the top-scorer on the Club side.

KOWLOON DRAW.

Consistent Scoring in Artillery Match.

On the home ground, the Kowloon C.C. drew with the Royal Artillery. Richardson hit first decision when the total was 176 for nine wickets. Seven of their batsmen entered double figures, with Goodwin the top-scorer. Capt. Miller captured three wickets for 30 runs. Thanks to a partnership between L. Munson and Bdr. Bryant, the military side were able to make a draw of the game. They had three wickets down for 30 runs, but the fourth wicket stand yielded 91 runs. Bryant was bowled by Goodwin for 40 runs, while Munson was undefeated with 41 runs. Goodwin took three wickets for 37 runs.

SECOND DIVISION.

Civil Service Draw with Hongkong Club.

Playing on the Club ground, the Civil Service were unable to draw with the Club, for when light failed they were only seven runs in arrears with five wickets to fall. The Club were mainly indebted for their score to Hepburn and Plummer, who scored 49 and 43 runs respectively, and entered eight wickets for 63 runs. The Civil Service totalled 138 runs for the loss of five wickets when stumps were drawn. A. E. Wood scored 64 runs and B. C. K. Hawkins 53.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

H. Nomanbhoy Defies Craigengower Bowlers.

The University were entertained by the Craigengower C.C. on the home ground, the match ending in a draw. Batting first, the University totalled 140 runs, towards which H. Nomanbhoy scored 72 runs in fine style. Craigengower replied with 115 for eight wickets. H. P. Lim (25), S. V. Gittins (28) and U. M. Omar (23) being the principal scorers. Anderson took four wickets for 40 runs.

Indians Draw With Police.

The Indian R.C. seconds met the Police on the Police ground in a drawn game. Fairly consistent scoring by the Indian batsmen gave them a total of 167 runs. H. T. M. Barma (29) and A. K. Jamil (28) entered the twenties. The Police scored 129 runs for the loss of four wickets. Alexander being top-scorer with 62 runs, and Minty following with 33 not out.

A Low Scoring Match.

When the Hongkong University seconds met the Craigengower seconds, both sides scored below the century mark. Craigengower totalled 94 runs, towards which G. Winch contributed 38. Clarabutt bowled well to take five wickets for 42 runs. The University had totalled 82 runs for eight wickets when stumps were drawn. M. Yayahoy was undefeated with 21 runs. Iranee captured four wickets for 31 runs.

YESTERDAY'S GAME.

I.R.C. Easily Defeat the Volunteers.

Playing on the I. R. C. ground yesterday, the Volunteers were defeated by four wickets by the Indian R. C. The Volunteers compiled only 89 runs, Minto taking six wickets for 31. F. S. W. Smith was the top-scorer with 28.

The Indians replied with 122 runs for six wickets. A. A. Rumjhang scored 48 runs (retired), and A. S. Sufi 82 not out. Beck took four wickets for 28 runs.

Playing on the I. R. C. ground yesterday, the Volunteers were defeated by the home team by four wickets. The Volunteers batted first and totalled 89 runs, towards which F. S. W. Smith contributed 28 runs. He was out to a good catch at square leg by M. R. Abbas, who, running in, took the ball low to the ground. A. R. Minto was in fine form with the

YESTERDAY'S RACES AT FANLING.

ROYAL FLUSH IN A FINE WIN.

Race goers were treated to one of the very best meetings which have been presented when the Fanling Hunt and Race Club held their Christmas Meeting before a record crowd yesterday afternoon.

His Excellency Sir William Peel and Lady Peel were interested spectators throughout the racing. Mrs. R. J. Paterson presented the prizes to the successful winners, and Major Dowling made reference to Mrs. Paterson's keen sportsmanship and expressed the hope that she would soon have a successful string of ponies again competing at the steeplechase meetings.

THE RESULTS.

1.—The Canberra Handicap.—A Steeplechase of 1½ miles. For Australian Ponies.
Mr. John's Wattle (162 lbs.) (Mr. Corbett) 1
Mr. S. N. Wong's The Bustard (155 lbs.) (Mr. Stanton) 2
Mr. Kangaroo's Chulid (160 lbs.) (Mr. Charles) 3
Won by 1 length; 4 lengths.
Time: 4 mins. 7½ secs.
Parimutuel: Win \$3.30; Places \$2.10; \$2.10.
2.—The "Volunteers" Cup (Unofficial)—A Hurdle Race of 1½ miles.
Mr. R. H. Charles' White Star (168 lbs.) (Mr. Butler) 1
Mr. A. H. Potts' The Stomour (168 lbs.) (Mr. Charles) 2
Mr. H. S. V. Moscrop's Demurrer (168 lbs.) (Mr. Ferguson) 3
Won by 1 length; 4 lengths.
Time: 3 mins. 10 secs.
Parimutuel: Win \$7.10; Places \$2.50; \$2.50; \$3.40.
3.—St. Nicholas Handicap.—A Hurdle Race of 1½ miles.
Mr. Stanton's Tom (168 lbs.) (Mr. Stanton) 1
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Gomeril (160 lbs.) (Mr. Frost) 2
Mr. Stanton's Donnell (161 lbs.) (Mr. Corbett) 3
Won by 1 length; many lengths.
Parimutuel: Win \$3.20; Places \$2.30; \$2.40.
4.—The Christmas Steeplechase.—A Handicap of 1½ miles.
Mr. Heard's Christmas Belle (163 lbs.) (Mr. Corbett) 1
Mr. G. S. B. Bramwell's Mowbray (150 lbs.) (Mr. Bramwell) 2
Mr. W. T. Stanton's The Purbridge (155 lbs.) (Mr. Stanton) 3
Won by 2 lengths; 1 length.
Parimutuel: Win \$3.10; Places \$2.10; \$2.10; \$2.10.
5.—The 810 Tons Kok Handicap Steeplechase.—1½ miles.
Mr. Heard's Royal Flush (170 lbs.) (Mr. Corbett) 1
Lady Peel's Marquis Hall (150 lbs.) (Mr. Coleman) 2
Mr. Stanton's Christmas Frolic (170 lbs.) (Mr. Stanton) 3
Won by half length; a head.
Parimutuel: Win \$3.60; Places \$3; \$7.80.
6.—The Kwang Tung Handicap.—A Flat Race of 1 Mile. For China Ponies, "B" and "D" Classes. For novice riders.
Messrs. Newbrough & Gordon's Nookhall (152 lbs.) (Mr. Butler) 1
Mr. Rees' Sunning (158 lbs.) (Mr. H. P. Rees) 2
Mr. Dalren's Bay of Bellingham II (155 lbs.) (Mr. Norenha) 3
Won by ¾ length; ¾ length.
Time: 2 mins. 10¾ secs.
Parimutuel: Win \$8.60; Places \$4.20; \$13.30; \$10.10.
7.—The Kwang Tung Handicap.—A Flat Race of ½ Mile. "C1" and "C2" Classes.
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Quail (154 lbs.) (Mr. Frost) 1
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Bridge Hall (158 lbs.) (Mr. S. N. Pan) 2
Mr. J. J. Palmer's Blue Heaven (150 lbs.) (Mr. Palmer) 3
Won by ¾ length; 2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 37½ secs.
Parimutuel: Win \$12.20; Places \$3.70; \$3.40; \$8.20.

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" 390 189.60
" 664 84.80

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Race 3.
No. 409 \$835.10
" 766 238.60
" 626 119.50

\$25 tickets Nos. 75 and 518.
Race 4.
No. 547 \$2,021.00
" 513 577.60
" 695 238.80

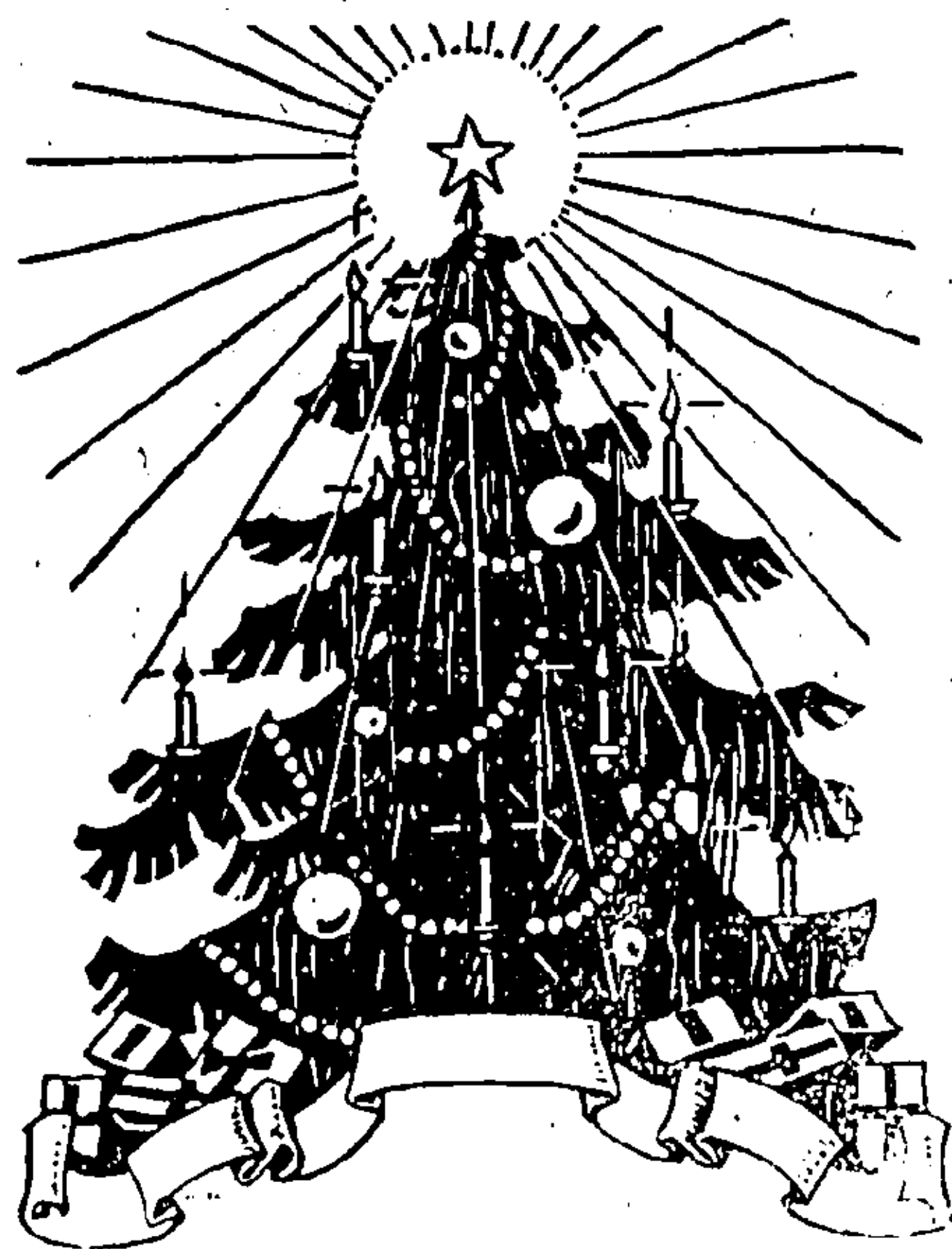
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No. 723 \$900.50
" 744 259.00
" 342 129.60

\$25 tickets Nos. 230, 395.
Race 6.
No. 256 \$337.90
" 493 239.40
" 188 119.70

\$25 tickets Nos. 154, 501, 290, 104, 470, 237, 678, 649, 117, 63, 602.
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BE YOURSELF!

On Being Photographed.

How we envy film stars their gift for the natural pose in front of the camera! Going to the photographer is for some people a torture that can only be compared to visiting the dentist, but if we will only rid ourselves of this sort of self-conscious anticipation, it can be both simple and easy.

Perhaps it sounds somewhat illogical to say forget yourself when you are having a photograph taken, yet it is exactly what you ought to do if you want the picture to be faithful to your natural self. When you talk to your friends, you do not constantly wonder what your face is looking like, do you? So, when you look into the camera, imagine that you are just talking to one of your friends.

It is a mistake, if you are inclined to be at all camera-conscious, to dress formally for a photograph. Wear clothes that make you feel free and easy, as otherwise your pose is bound to be stiffened and consequently you will be disappointed in the final result where a natural simplicity is the clearest achievement.

Hairdressing, too, can often be over-elaborate, or else too stiff. Rather than arrange your hairdresser's visit immediately prior to your photographer's appointment, leave a couple of days between. Then the wave in your hair becomes softer and, even though your hair may not be so set and perfect,

it will look more characteristic. No one wants to look as if they were kept in a glass case, and often our friends love us more because of certain little imperfections.

"Make-Up."

Make-up is mostly a matter of choice. Some photographers insist that too much powder results in a photograph that is flat and lifeless. Certainly too much make-up can hinder good results. But it all depends on how it is done.

rouge, for instance, if one is not very careful, will have the distressing effect of making the cheeks look hollow. A good plan is, after rouging slightly, rub gently in a rotary movement with one finger that is just tinged with cold cream.

After this has been done, lightly powder and then touch up the eye-brows and eyelashes a little. Too much care cannot be taken with the lips as the mouth plays such an important part in determining whether the face has a pleasing expression or otherwise.

Above all, do not get upset by anything the photographer says. It is his job to get a good photograph, and it is in the interest of his job that he may be a little personal over defects that you are rather sensitive about.

On the other hand, it is not wise to let him override you too much. Regarding your pose, for instance, he may be obsessed by the photographic point of view, but you are anxious to get the personal element. You know your own little ways and mannerisms better than he does, so it is only right for you to have authentic suggestions that are bound to be more characteristic of you as your friends know you and

THE LATEST.

Spice Box Perfume Holders.

So that nothing incongruous shall spoil the carefully decorated Georgian room, women are choosing accessories reproduced from genuine antiques of that period.

The latest to appear is a Georgian spice box in which men used to keep a nutmeg to grate into their punch or wine. A rare specimen has been copied, and adapted so that it can be used as a combined match and perfume holder. It is six inches high, semi-circular in shape, with an ornamental handle by which it can be hung on the wall.

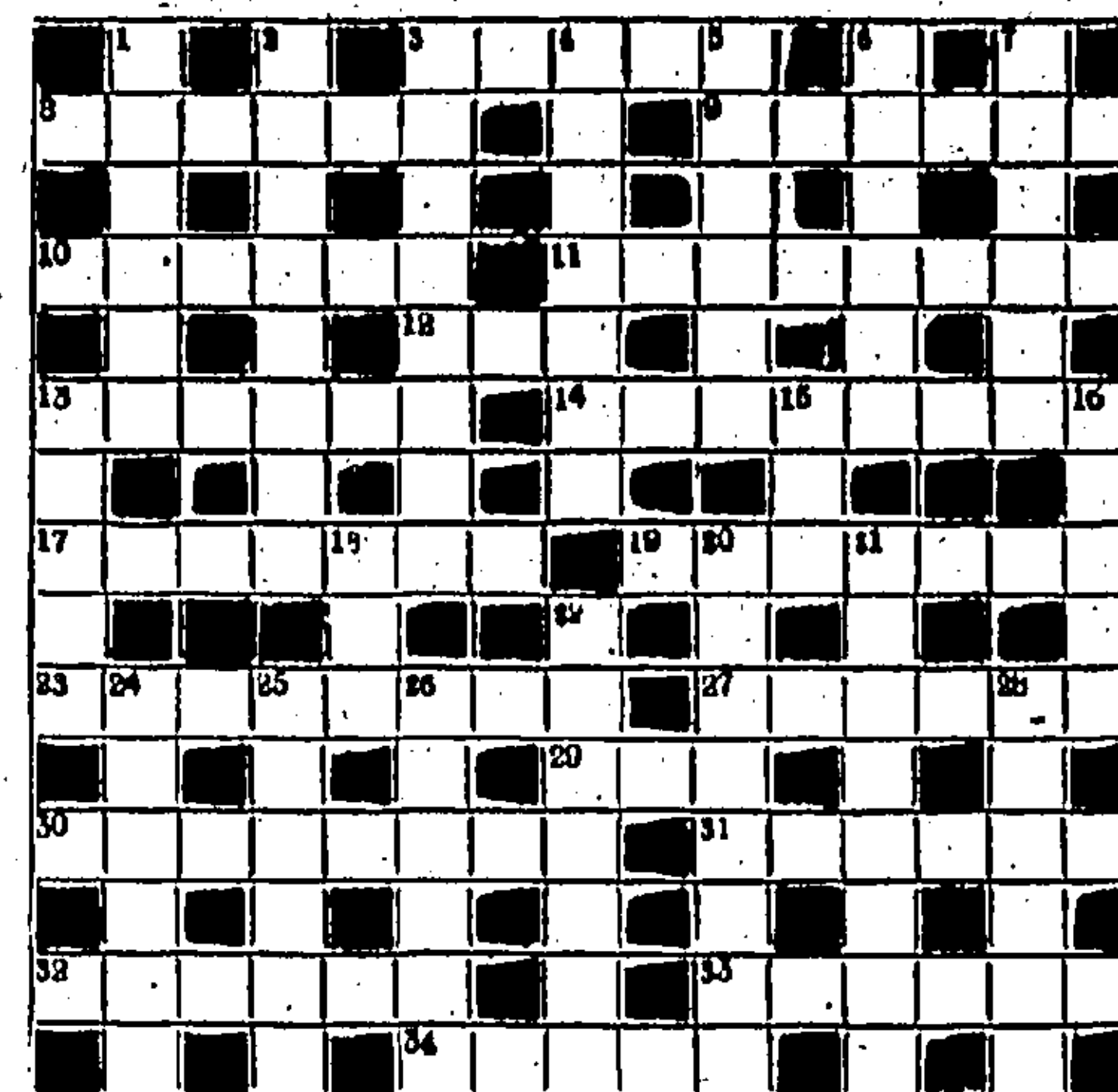
When the lid opens matches are displayed. In the lower half of the box are rolls of cotton wool, freshly impregnated with eau de Cologne, lavender water, or one's favourite scent.

The perfume passes slowly through the perforations on which nutmegs used to be grated, and gives a faint fragrance amidst the smoke of cigarettes.

like you. Your particular way would, of course, be much more delightful to them than the most finished study in the art of pose of which the photographer may be capable.

So, the whole secret of a really successful photograph may be summed up in that very terse American phrase.—Be yourself!

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Across

- 3 Attached on all sides, you must give it best—though not your undivided best.
- 8 Again take up your summary.
- 9 Not a bit afraid.
- 10 Here the animal depends to some extent upon its size in the court.
- 11 May be dangerous to the bather who cannot swim.
- 12 Crowd.
- 13 Here you may lose lots of money—on coin.
- 14 What famous dandy sounds useful to the gardener? (two words).
- 17 Covered with large patches and holds a lot.
- 19 "The — are the tenderest. The loving are the daring."—Bayard Taylor, "The Song of the Camp."
- 23 Creation provides this response to external stimulus.
- 27 Cleared up in fifty-five disjointed odes.
- 29 This deals with your morning post.
- 30 Death and destruction as a lump measure.
- 31 These nowadays are cooked in an oven usually.
- 32 Flows along with a lot of paper at the side of the street.
- 33 Edible lightning in France.
- 34 Finished.

Down

- 1 A spire may be found in this ancient country.
- 2 Usually a closed-fisted chap.
- 3 As a question, certainly not. Much more likely to have been.

a hippopotamus.

- 4 May describe a landscape or a chin.
- 5 More landscape: seen in Northern Siberia.
- 6 Where rabbits are at home.
- 7 Whitlows are serious offenders.
- 13 A branch of Highland sports.
- 15 Lettors for America.
- 16 Greatly disliked, of course, but needed to complete the puzzle.
- 18 A little bed in a little house.
- 20 Repaired.
- 21 Allah arises in the palace of immortality.
- 22 You will get sufficiently irritated to see red here.
- 24 Raises up.
- 25 Pct.
- 26 Revenue will turn up in the end.
- 28 Necessitate.

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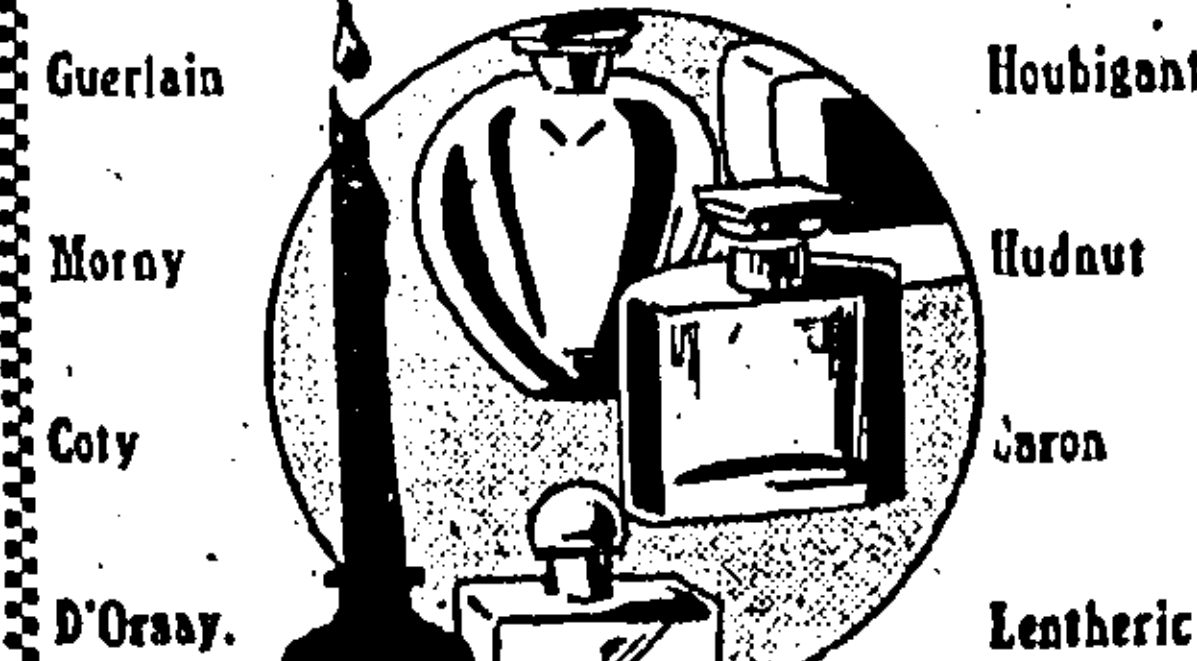
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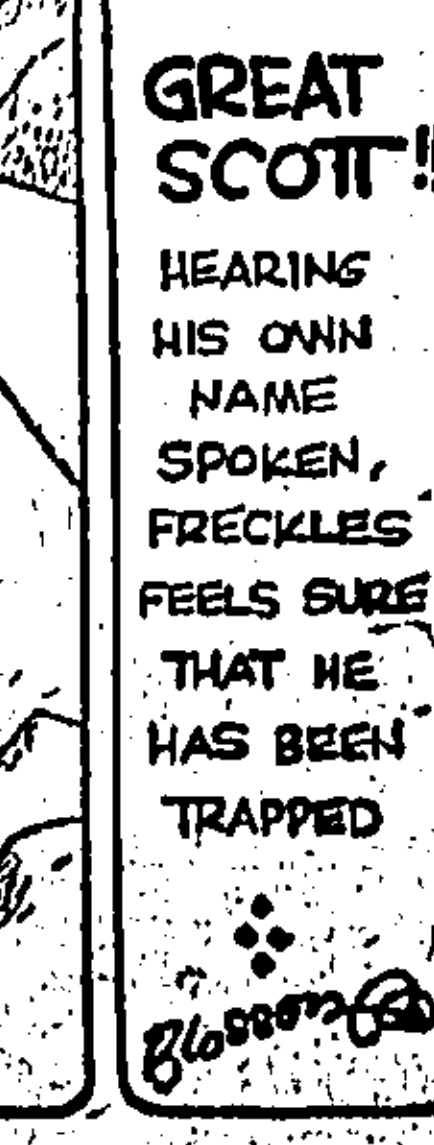
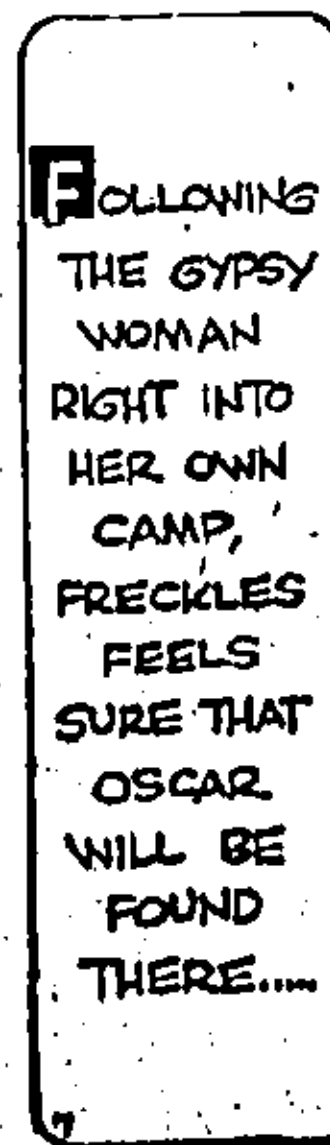
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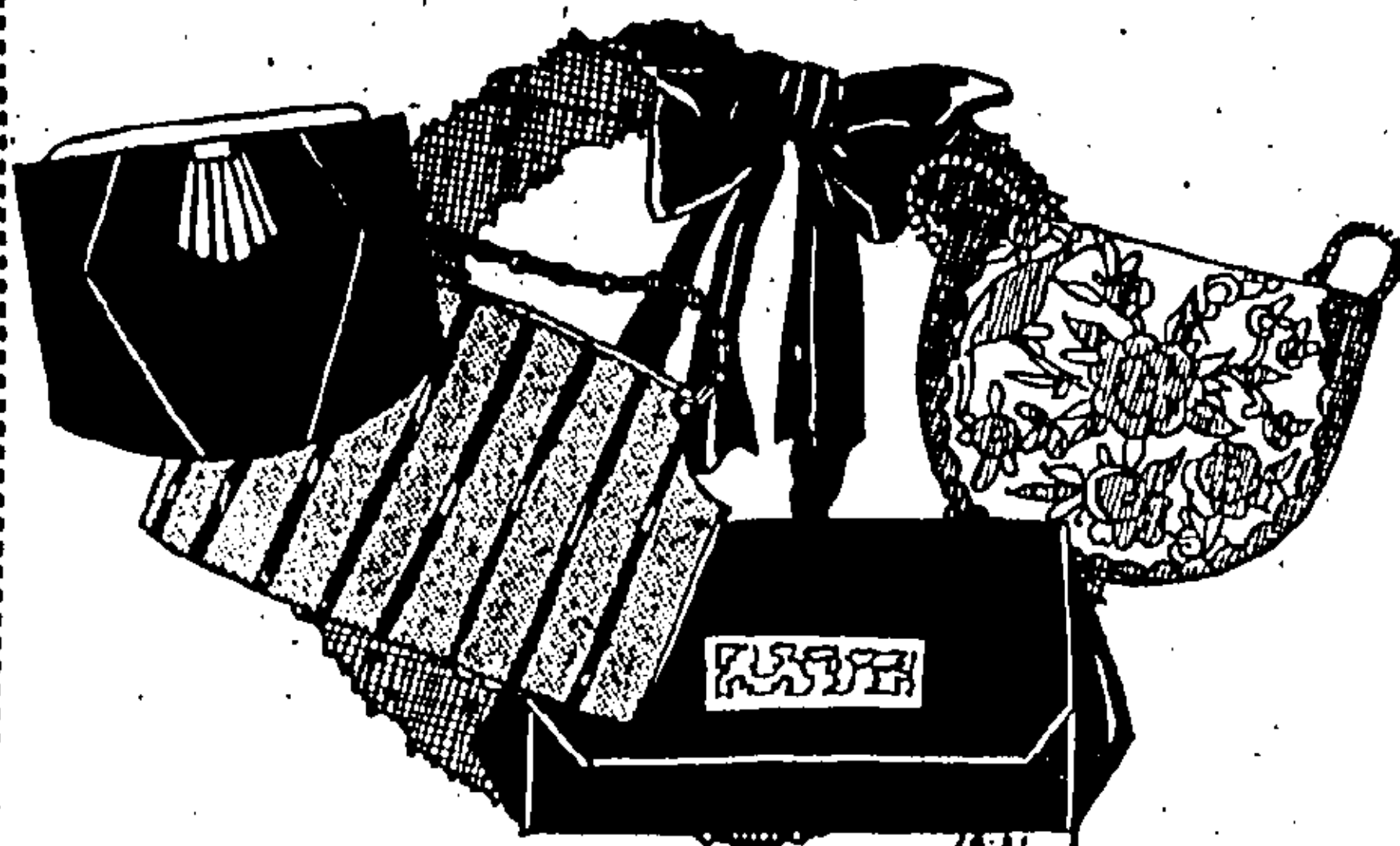


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END OF SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION.

FINAL SHOWING OF "MISS HOOK OF HOLLAND."

The final showing of the Philharmonic Society's successful production, "Miss Hook of Holland," at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night was in keeping with previous final nights. There was a bumper house, and the members of the cast gave, perhaps the best performance of the series. Lots of presents were handed up to the stage.

Applause was unstinted and deservedly so, throughout the show, all the members of which had every reason to be satisfied with not only the general success of the production during its run but the enthusiastic success of the last night.

At the final curtain, insistent calls for the producer (Mr. W. Robertson) resulted in that worthy gentleman appearing on the stage.

Thanks Expressed.

In a short address he expressed thanks for the splendid reception the production had received and added that although there had been some criticism when the choice of the piece was first announced, judging by the way in which it had been received during the week, the selection was not a bad one after all.

He also expressed thanks to the Musical Director (Mr. J. L. Gecks, A.R.C.M.) for the musical ability shown in contributing to the success of the piece, and also the pianist (Mrs. C. Scott-Little), the musicians, all members of the cast, the chorus and, last but not least, those who had worked behind the scenes.

Afterwards, a happy company, consisting of members of the cast and helpers, went to Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant, where a most enjoyable supper was partaken of.

COMPANY REPORT.

SANDAKAN LIGHT AND POWER CO.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the ninth ordinary yearly meeting of the Sandakan Light and Power Co. (1922) Ltd., to be held at the head office of the Company, St. George's Building, Hongkong, on Wednesday, December 30, at noon is:

The Directors have now to lay before the Shareholders a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1931, and Balance Sheet as at that date.

The Profit on Working Account, after charging Depreciation (\$29,704.49) and General Managers' Commission, is \$32,514.47 to which has to be added Income from Investments, Interest and Scrip Fees, and Profit on Sale of Investments and Old Machinery, totalling

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| After providing for— | \$41,454.06 |
| Directors' and Auditors' Fees | \$3,512.93 |
| Commission to the Managing Agents at Sandakan Sinking Fund to replace the Value of the Company's Concession | 3,193.27 |
| | 2,815.16 |
| | 9,521.36 |

The Net Profit for the year amounts to \$31,932.70

This amount, transferred to General Profit and Loss Account, reduces the balance at debit of that Account to \$15,449.03.

Directors.—The Directors of the Company are: Mr. R. G. Shewan (ex-officio), Chairman, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. C. A. da Rosa, and Mr. S. M. Churn.

In accordance with Article 95 of the new Articles of Association, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. S. M. Churn retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts in Hongkong have been audited by Messrs. Leve, Eingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, who retire but offer themselves for re-election.

H. K. UNIVERSITY.

MEDICAL SOCIETY HOLD SUCCESSFUL DANCE.

The Medical Society of the Hongkong University held a successful fancy dress dance at the Great Hall of the University on Saturday night.

A gathering of about 350 people were present, among whom were Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University, and the Hon. Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall.

Some very original fancy costumes were noticed in the brilliant throng, and during the interval they made an attractive show when, to the strains of music supplied by the "Charlie Chan" Orchestra, they paraded before the Judges, Sir William Hornell, Mrs. Kotewall and Mrs. W. L. Gerrard. Miss Alice Wood was awarded the first prize for the Ladies, while Mrs. T. K. Chan received the second. Mr. V. Enok carried away the men's prize, with Dr. Li Shufan second. The prize for the most original costume, which was offered by the Hon. Dr. and Mrs.



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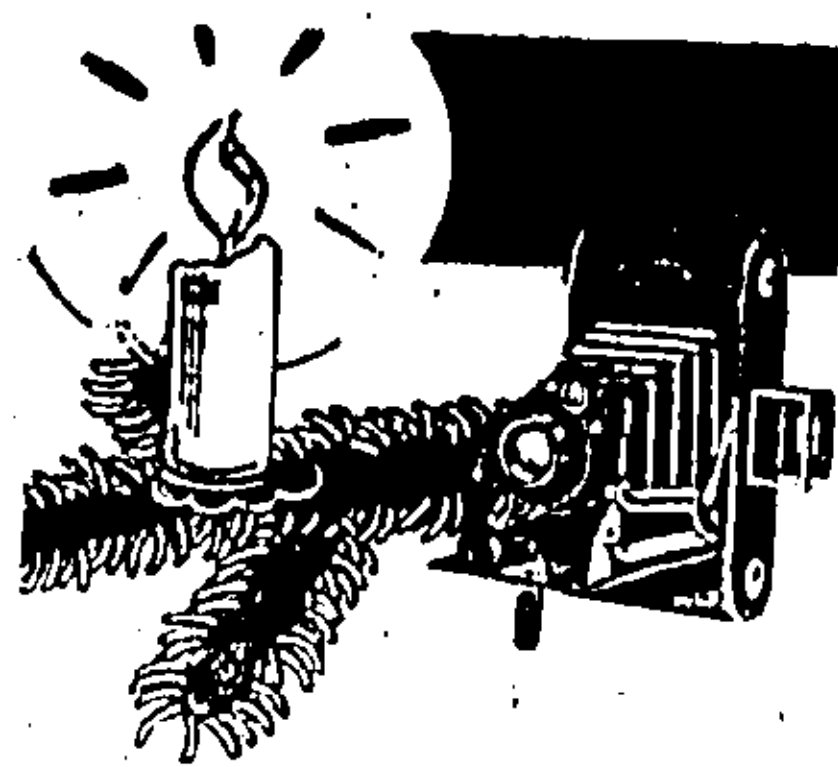
Mrs. Kotewall presented the prizes.

After the distribution Mrs. Kotewall and Mrs. Gerrard were each presented with a basket of flowers by Miss H. Tsukasaki, representing the Hongkong University Medical Society. Professor

Gerrard then spoke a few words, expressing his happiness at seeing so many guests present and enjoying themselves. He also mentioned that the efficiency of the medical students in the University was not only in studies but also in sports, where they had won the Cricket, Tennis and Basketball Interfaculty tournaments of 1931. Sir William Hornell also made a few appropriate remarks thanking

the guests for their presence. Dancing was carried on till a late hour, during which time refreshments were served.

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LAWN TENNIS OPEN MIXED DOUBLES.

L. GOLDMAN AND MRS.
LOCKER WIN FINAL.

The semi-finals and final of the Open mixed Doubles tournament organised by the Chinese Recreation Club were decided at Causeway Bay over the week-end, L. Goldman and Mrs. Locker emerging winners of the championship by beating M. K. Lo and Mrs. James yesterday afternoon by 6-2, 6-4.

On Saturday L. Goldman and Mrs. Locker created something of a surprise by eliminating M. W. Lo and Miss Enid Lo 6-4, 6-1, while M. K. Lo and Mrs. James beat H. D. Rumjahn and Miss Rumjahn 6-4, 6-3.

The final yesterday was worthy of the occasion and produced some tennis of a high standard. The winners deserved their win but were rather fortunate in finding Mrs. James somewhat off form. The first set saw Goldman and his partner dominating the play, the former being particularly deadly at the net. The losers put up a hard fight in the second set and all but forced the issue the full distance. M. K. Lo was very active for him and retrieved many difficult shots. Occasionally his partner brought off some brilliant strokes but she was not altogether on top form.

At the conclusion of the match, Mr. M. W. Lo (President of the Chinese R. C.) expressed thanks to Mr. Justice Lindell and Mrs. Lindell for their presence. He remarked that as Mr. Lindell was the best umpire in the Colony and as he had officiated at so many finals in the past, the Chinese R. C. thought that if he were not asked to umpire yesterday the players might not realise it was the final of the Open Mixed Doubles Tournament. As it was they had played very good tennis. After congratulating the winners Mr. Lo said he could sympathise with the losers as he knew what tough opposition they had been against.

Continuing Mr. Lo remarked that unlike other tournaments, the Mixed Doubles Championship had been carried out in accordance with the schedule. At the beginning they had fixed yesterday for the final and they had adhered to the date. For that they had to thank the competitors for their co-operation and also the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Leung Sai-wah for the work he had done.

The speaker then asked Mrs. Lindell "to deliver the goods." After she had done so Miss Enid Lo, the local Champion, presented her with a bouquet of flowers.

In returning thanks Mrs. Lindell congratulated the winners and remarked that the tennis in the second set reminded them of Helen Wills.

THE TIDE TURNS.

SOCIALISTS DEFEATED
IN AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, Dec. 19.

The Nationalists have beaten the Socialists in the general election.

Among those elected are: Mr. Scullin, the Labour Prime Minister, a Labourite.

Mr. Stanley Bruce, former Nationalist Prime Minister.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, one time Labour and afterwards Nationalist Premier.

Among those defeated is the Treasurer, Mr. E. G. Theodore, recently charged with corrupt practice in Queensland.

The Nationalists already number 37 as compared with 23 at the time of the dissolution.

The Nationalist member, Mr. Lyons, will probably be the next Prime Minister.

Final Results.

Later.
The final state of the parties is:
Lyonsites 37
Scullinites 16
Countryrites 14
Langites 7
Independents 1

The gains are as follows:
Lyonsites 15, Countryrites 1, Langites 2, Independents 1. The losses were: Scullinites 19.

Reuter.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT.

WELL-ATTENDED FUNCTION
AT UNIVERSITY.

A most enjoyable time was spent by some 400 people in the Great Hall of the University last night, when the fifth annual Christmas concert, organised by the Committee and members of the Hongkong University Christian Association, was held. The programme, which consisted of Christmas Carols and Community Singing, was conducted by Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L., with Dr. L. T. Ride as Assistant Conductor.

There were three community singing items, the rest being presentations of the Association's Choir, assisted in some numbers by boys of St. John's Cathedral choir, with Mrs. Matheson as vocalist. The presentations were warmly applauded and the community singing was heartily joined in by everybody.

"NO RENT" CAMPAIGN.

MOHAMEDAN LANDLORD AND
SERVANTS MURDERED.

Lucknow, Dec. 20.

The Congress "no rent" campaign is waning owing to the ban placed upon it by the United Provinces Government, also due to the fact that the sale of the sugar crop, owing to the fall in imports from Java, which have been adversely affected by tariffs, is helping tenants to pay their rents.

A Mohamedan landlord, Syed Im Ranal, and two of his servants were burned to death by their tenants, apparently in connection with the "no rent" campaign, in a village in the Amroha district. A third servant escaped and returned with police to find the bodies burned to ashes.—Reuter.

A Separate Cause.

Lucknow, later.

The burning of a landlord and his two servants at Amroha is not connected with the no rent campaign, as the campaign has not yet started there. It appears the landlord objected to the tenants' stealing distrained sugarcane.—Reuter.

The authorities took steps to nip this campaign in the bud, and following the search of the Congress headquarters the President of the Kisan (Peasants) Committee was arrested at his home on December 13.

Railway Sabotage.

Calcutta, Dec. 20.

For the second time within a week, a passenger train has been maliciously derailed in India, owing to removal of fish plates.

The derailment occurred at Asansol, 110 miles from here. There were no casualties, though the engine and nine bogies jumped the rails, lying at an angle of forty-five degrees.

The other derailment was on December 17, forty miles from Bombay, when one railwayman was killed and a passenger was injured.—Reuter.

Among those present was the Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Hornell, members of the teaching staff and prominent members of the community.

The hall had been prettily decorated with coloured streamers and flowers.

REMINDER

We find that it is not yet generally known that Wakefield Castrol Motor oils are sold by the Imperial gallon of 9 lbs. whereas other oil Companies have adopted the American or wine gallon of 7½/8 lbs. There is a difference of approximately 20% in the quantities and this should not be overlooked when comparing prices. Messrs. Wakefield—being a purely British concern—naturally do not wish to use any other than the Imperial gallon which is, after all, the legal measure in the Colony and they trust their attitude will have the support of the motoring public.

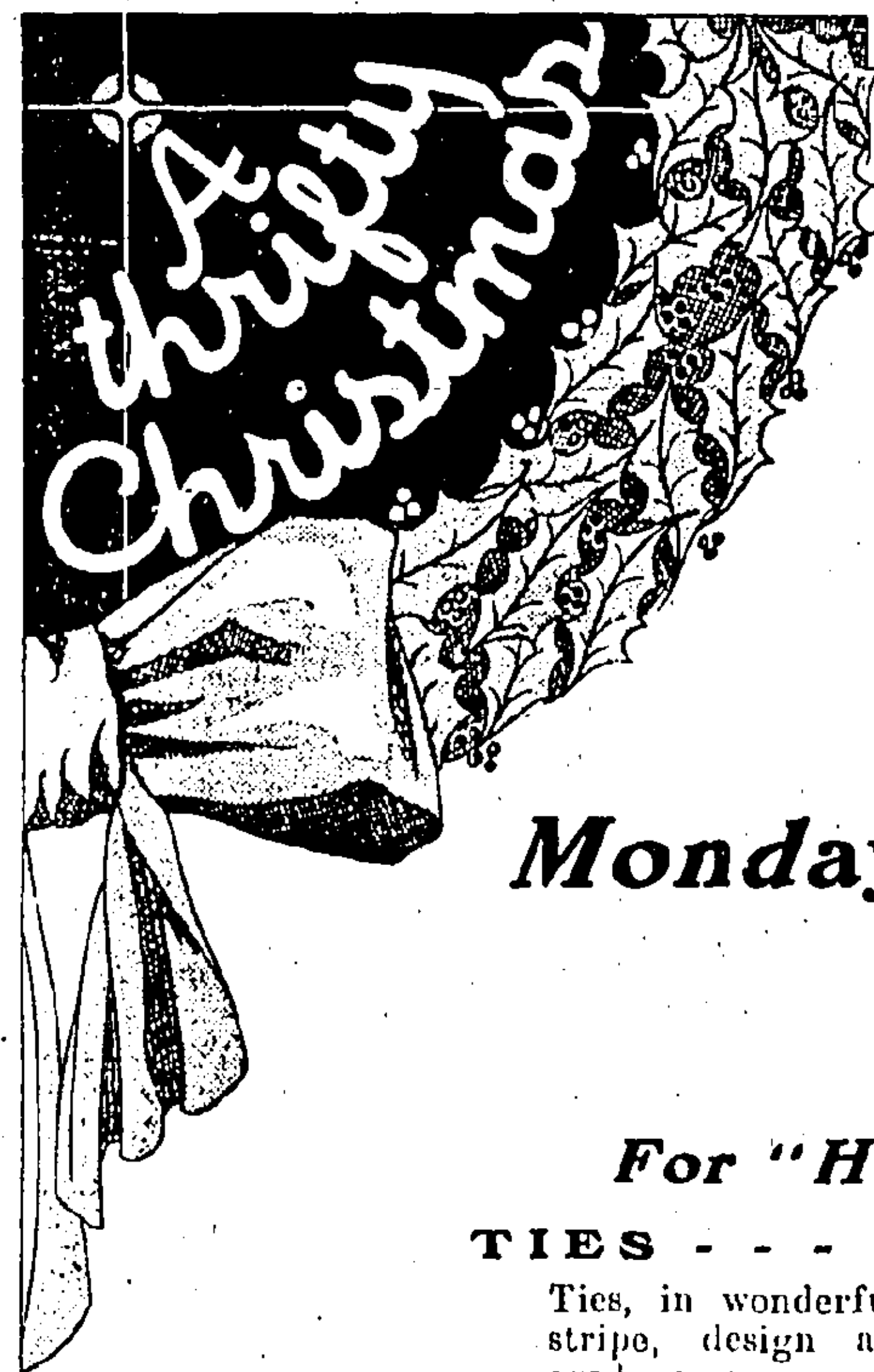
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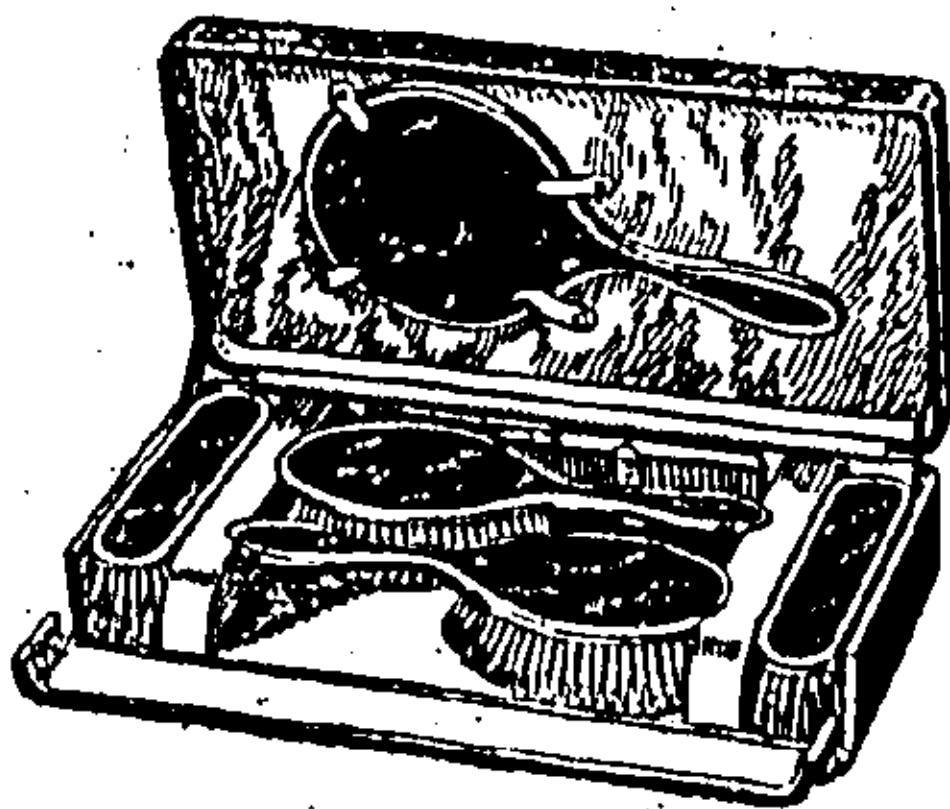
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PRESERVES OF THE CADETS.

Amongst those most directly affected, the report that the Government intends to appoint a Cadet as Director of Education has been received with considerable alarm, if not indignation. The objection is in no sense a personal one; it rests on the contention that the post should be held by an officer who, by training and qualifications, is adequately equipped for the duties. Lately, the Department has had in Mr. G. P. de Martin a fully-qualified educationist at its head—a man who has been doing splendid work in all aspects of education. From what we are able to gather, Mr. N. L. Smith is now to be appointed Deputy Director, under Mr. de Martin. He will then go on nine months' leave, and the subsequent arrangements appear to fore-shadow Mr. de Martin's retirement early in 1933, on Mr. Smith assuming the substantive post. The change, it is felt in the Department and outside as well, will be harmful to the future of education and its proper development. This belief does not cast any reflection on Mr. Smith, who, in fact, has shown marked ability in other spheres, but the proposed change is regarded as one which is neither fair to him nor to the Department of which he will be given charge.

Looking back over the past history of the Department, we find that it has almost invariably been the rule to have a Cadet officer at its head. There have been occasions, as at present, when an educationist has been in temporary charge, but, strangely enough, no such official has ever held the substantive post. That in itself is an illuminating commentary on Government methods.

Let it be said that there is no objection to having a Cadet as Director provided he is qualified to discharge the duties and responsibilities of the office. But if the Directorship is to be reserved for Cadets, there is a call for such reforms as will result in the requirement mentioned being fully met. In other words, any Cadet to be appointed should serve an apprenticeship to the office, and, once he has been placed in charge, he should never leave the Department. He should, from the very beginning of his career, make education his forte just as some

of our Cadets specialise in the law. This could be done by the officer concerned proceeding Home, after having passed in Chinese, for the purpose of being trained in teaching and of studying education in all its aspects. On his return, he could be appointed Deputy Director and hold that post until such time as, by local experience, he is regarded as qualified to be placed in charge. In this way, the education system of the Colony could be built up on sound and progressive lines. After all, the direction of education calls for something more than mere administrative ability. The man at the head of the Department should be one who, when he visits the schools, will be respected and appreciated by the teachers, whose opinions will carry weight by reason of the fact that he is an expert. That cannot be the case so long as the Director is little other than a mere figurehead.

There are Departments of the Government service to the control of which a Cadet is never appointed; for example, the Public Works Department and the Royal Observatory. The Treasury can now be added to the list, and there would appear to be prospects of a trained police officer subsequently becoming the chief of the Police Force. This is as it should be. The Education and the Sanitary Departments, however, would appear still to be the special preserves of the Cadets, the latter, forsooth, because of Chinese susceptibilities, as if these should be given priority over considerations of public health. Looking at the subject generally, we cannot but think that the Cadet system, as at present operated, is an anachronism. It either wants reforming or abolishing. In these modern times, it is far too antiquated to be of real value. In the early days of the Colony, it may have served some good purpose. Those were the times when all that we needed to keep the machinery of government going was a small subordinate staff headed by a few educated men with some administrative ability who could hop about from post to post and generally supervise the Government's activities. This Colony, however, has immensely grown and developed since those days, with the result that there is no longer any room for a system worked on past and present methods. Yet we are continually getting new Cadets sent out from Home, for whom jobs have to be found, thus perpetuating a process which continually results in square pegs being forced into round holes. In defence of the system it is said that it is useful in giving the officers such an all-round training as will equip them for future Governorships. But when we take into account the extremely small percentage of Cadets who can ever hope to become Governors, it will be realised how costly and uneconomic the method is. Thus we say that if the Cadet system is to remain, let it be thoroughly overhauled, with the one central idea of seeing that all spheres of governmental activity are placed in charge of technically qualified men. Then, and only then, shall we get full value from our Heads of Departments and smooth running of the machinery of government.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

London Terminals.
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May 1932 7/-½ down ¾d.
August 1932 7/2½ down ¾d.
December 1932 7/6½ down ¾d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ¾d.-½d. more.

New York Terminals.
March 1932 1.05 no change.
May 1932 1.10 down 1 pt.
July 1932 1.15 down 1 pt.
September 1932 1.22 up 1 pt.
December 1931 .99 down 2 pts.
London (19/12/31). — Paris Sugar Conference adjourned until January. Private information shows no favourable developments.

DAY BY DAY

THERE ARE MOMENTS WHEN PETTY SLIGHTS ARE HARDER TO DEAR THAN EVEN A SERIOUS INJURY. MEN HAVE DIED OF THIS FESTEERING OF A GNAT-BITE.—*Cecil Dandy.*

Mr. and Mrs. P. Jacks returned from Home by the P. and O. liner Karmala.

We have received from the Anderson Music Co. a neat little desk calendar mounted in metal.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central to the north of the Gulf of Pechili, moving east.

A military notice states that a small quantity of fireworks will be fired for proof purposes at Stonecutters Rifle Range to-morrow morning.

The master of the Empress of Russia reports a large junk bottom up in approximate position Lat. 22 deg. 44 N., Long. 110 deg. 22 E. It is dangerous to navigation.

An unusual entertainment will be held at the Helena May Institute this evening at 6.30 p.m., when an old German Christmas Play will be presented. Entrance is free.

In a report to the police, Mrs. Mylo, of 95, Nathan Road, states that some time between 8 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. yesterday some-one entered her residence and stole a quantity of clothing.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Stewart Hope, of No. 2, Saiwan Terrace, Quarry Bay to Miss Evelyn Constance Shanley, of the Sisters' Quarters, Government Civil Hospital.

During a gambling raid at 63, Temple Street shortly after eleven o'clock last night, Detective Leung Chan fell through the kitchen window and received internal injuries which are considered to be of a serious nature.

Members of St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts were "At Home" to friends and Scouts from other troops on Friday when an excellent entertainment was arranged by the hosts. During the evening the Barnes Cup for scoutcraft was presented to the Kangaroo patrol and the Armstrong Trophy to the Lion Patrol.

A most enjoyable dance, which was attended by between 50 and 60 couples, organised by the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders, was held on the Institute's premises on Saturday night. The event was so successful that it is hoped to make it the first of a series during the winter months. Ample accommodation was provided by throwing open the lounge and ladies' room, and the general gaiety amply repaid the promoters for their effort.

CANADIAN CASE COLLAPSES.

CHINESE WOMAN DISCHARGED.

On the application of Chief Detective Inspector A. N. Reynolds, at the Central Police Court this morning, Mr. Schofield discharged Mrs. Cheung Suey-nong, who had been detained on a warrant issued at the request of the Canadian Government for alleged theft of \$800.

The prosecuting officer informed his Worship that the man who had had the warrant issued did not now wish to proceed further with the case, his reply being received in response to a cable from Hongkong.



"I wish those kids would stop looking at me as if it was my fault."

SIR MAX PEMBERTON and

The Contract Bridge Battle.

THE Portland Club, we are told, is like Mr. Snodgrass upon a famous occasion, about to take its coat off. Many of its friends have announced its intention to begin.

This may or may not be true. We must wait and see. Certainly, the attempt to abandon all convention in Contract Bridge and henceforth to go as you please is heroic enough. Hercules and the Nemean lion was nothing to it.

Consider the story of Bridge since it was first brought to this country from some vague Oriental station, and old gentlemen who played Whist were taken home in four-wheeled cabs to die.

Auction Conventions.

Cavendish had killed Whist many people said. What with "seven from eleven" and a "higher and a lower" and men without shoes walking the streets of Calais because they wouldn't lead trumps, Whist had really become a bore, and poor old gentlemen with empty heads found it altogether too much for them.

But, lo and behold, when they sat down to Ordinary Bridge they found it the devil. It was a mass of convention, they said. And yet they had to admit that it was a jolly good game, and a great advance upon Whist.

Came Auction and more conventions. Books poured in upon us and those amiable persons who could not win at the Bridge table got their money out of the publishers. We had experts who called "One No Trump" on nothing and other experts who called two of a suit on a similar holding. Aunts cut uncles in the cardrooms and fathers of families left their homes, stamping: "What a game! What things to remember!"

And yet, withal, a jolly good game. Even generals, who had broken China ornaments in their wrath, admitted it. It fascinated them. They returned to it. And now Contract, provoking civil war in America, yet apparently, moving great clubs to somnolence here. We are to consider our poor brains, it appears. We mustn't try them too severely. We must put back the clock and play Contract as our forefathers played Whist before the days of Cavendish.

We shall also, I suppose, rule out the "goodly" from cricket and prevent Lindrum making more than six consecutive "nurseries." What nonsense it all is!

"Such a Simple Game."

My partner calls one diamond. What does he mean? Has he two and a half quick tricks with proper distribution or is he merely a joker? If I don't know what his real strength is, how can I raise him? He may be one of those idiots who will call a suit on six to the queen, knave, ten, and one other king in his hand. Or he may hold five quick tricks and curse me afterwards for not calling a little slam. I just don't know, and the Portland, it ap-

pears, is about to decree that I must guess. Such a simple game they will make it. Even the "dear curate" may delight in it henceforth.

Let me ask, what chance would these "guessers" have against one of Mr. Culbertson's picked teams, which does not guess but knows. What chance against a highly scientific system of advance bidding and of forcing take-outs. Our people have cut a sorry enough figure hitherto in these international contests. Heaven help them if they are going to begin guessing.

There is a cheery fellow in a famous club who sometimes picks up his cards and says, "Oh, one any old thing." If pressed to be a little more precise, he will add—"Well, if I must then, one no trump." I commend this system to the Portland Club.

Let us remember that all this talk about the intense complication of American methods is so much bunkum. Any man or woman who gave a few hours' intensive study either to the Culbertson or the so-called National code could master the whole scheme without difficulty. The supreme object of both is to teach players not only to value their own hands correctly, but also the hands of their partners. Every fresh bid is an added value. There are no "take-outs" from weakness at Contract.

If I bid "one" of a suit and my partner bids one more than is necessary of another suit, I know at once that we have at least five and a half quick tricks between us. There are roughly eight quick tricks in the pack. Let me ask the "guessers" how they would convey this information.

I was watching a game of Auction Bridge the other night and I heard an excited diplomat call three spades originally on "king, jack, nine" to seven. His left-hand opponent held ace, queen, ten of the suit and made a call of them. The man scored four tricks and at Contract would have been five down. Yet he was ready to maintain that at all times and in all places he would make the same call. At Contract, of course, he should have passed first time.

Deluded Disciples.

This player, no doubt, will be a sturdy advocate of the new laissez-faire. I see him paying out heavy sums to these poor deluded disciples of convention. He would make an ideal partner for an angry colonel with a vocabulary.

No, what we need in Contract is a simple, straightforward code which all can understand. We must teach people how to value their hands correctly. We should learn to understand what our partner tries to tell us. We must know how far to raise him and why. The fellow who tells us that he called two hearts originally because he had six to the "ten" must be interred without military honours. There is no place for him in Contract.

If, however, we are determined to put back the clock and to play bumblepuppy henceforth, then good-bye to British Bridge. We shall merely become the butt of the card-playing nations.

PHIPPS Not the STUFF HEROES ARE MADE OF

"... Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it, And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!"

Those lines of Kipling's always inspired me. They made me feel that, whatever I owed to my parents, or to my father, my manhood was a fact to be proud of.

I thought I was the stuff that heroes are made of. Well, let's face it: I'm not. Dr. Thomas Lawson, whose analysis was reported in the *Daily Mail* recently, says I'm made of:

Ten gallons of water.
Enough fat for 7 bars of soap.
Carbon enough for 9,000 lead pencils.
Phosphorus enough for 2,200 tin-bombs.
Enough magnesium for one dose of salts.
Enough iron to make a medium-sized nail.
Sufficient lime to whitewash a

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ROBBERY TRIAL AT SESSIONS.

LOATHSOME DEFENCE REJECTED.

BUTCHER ATTACKED.

Alleging that he had not robbed the complainant, but that the charge had resulted from his interfering with complainant when attempting to commit a serious offence, Chan Yu-wing denied a charge of having robbed Chau Ping-chung of \$150, when before the Police Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell) at the Criminal Sessions this morning. Prisoner was alleged to have committed the robbery with others unknown.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs H. S. Hills (foreman), R. F. Clark, R. Morrison, D. W. Munton, D. Claw, M. V. Gomes and Chan King-chung.

In stating the case for the Crown, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith said that Chau Ping-chung was a pork dealer, with a stall in the Central Market. He would say that on December 1, at about 8 p.m. he was walking along Po Yan Street, which runs off Hollywood Road, when he was surrounded by five men, prisoner being one of the men. Prisoner told him not to move or shout, or else he would be beaten to death.

Seized by Throat.

Chau would also say that prisoner seized him by the throat while the others mugged him. He was thrown to the ground and one of the men produced a knife with which they cut his girdle and secured his purse, which contained \$150.

Four of the men then ran away with the purse, but Chau seized hold of prisoner and struggled with him. While holding prisoner Chau managed to get a police whistle out of his pocket and blow it, he also shouted.

Attracted by the disturbance, a District Watchman ran to the scene and took prisoner, who tried to escape, into custody, after which they all went to the Police Station.

This defence, said Mr. Whyte Smith, was a strange one. When prisoner was charged at the Police Station he replied, "I have nothing to say," but when before the Magistrate he had a lot to say.

Accused's Story. Mr. Whyte Smith read prisoner's statement then made, which was to the effect that a man named Tai Milan was walking in Kau Yu Fong, and Chau Ping-chung was also there, and alleged that Chau behaved improperly to Tai. Tai told prisoner about it, so he followed Tai into a small lane, where he heard Chau ask Tai to be a party to an offence, but Tai refused. Chau then produced 20 cents and some other money, but prisoner interfered, telling them that they would be arrested. Tai then ran away and Chau came up to prisoner and assaulted him. A struggle resulted and he was arrested when the police arrived. Prisoner denied taking part in the robbery.

After the Crown case had concluded, prisoner elected to stand by the statement he made to the Magistrate.

His father, who gave evidence, said that prisoner was a good boy but admitted, in cross-examination, that he had scolded his son for having undesirable acquaintances. Two such acquaintances had not been seen since his son was arrested.

After his Lordship had summed up the jury retired, and returned ten minutes later, with a unanimous verdict of guilty.

Loathsome Defence

In sentencing prisoner to two years' imprisonment with hard labour, his Lordship said:—The jury have very rightly, I think, found you guilty, which implies they have rejected your rather loathsome defence. You have tried to throw gross imputations on the character of a respectable individual, which only accentuates the gravity of your offence.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONGKONG.

"Is the Universe, including Man, evolved by Atomic Force?" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, yesterday.

The Golden Text was—"Of old hath thou laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of thy hands." (Psalms 102:25).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible—"Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together." (Isaiah 48:12, 13).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to

SERIOUS CHARGE PREFERRED.

UNUSUAL CASE FOR HONGKONG.

SESSIONS TRIAL.

Indecently assaulting a little girl, aged two years, was the charge made against Sit Chok, before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) and a jury at the Criminal Sessions which opened this morning.

The accused, who was represented by Mr. Hin Shing-lo (instructed by Mr. Horace Lo), pleaded not guilty. Mr. Somerest Fitzroy (Attorney General) prosecuted.

Messrs. W. Robertson (foreman), W. Hall, A. M. Tavares, W. A. Stewart, Gan Sik-lin, Cho Sik-sung and Han Nawaz Mehal were sworn in as jury.

Mr. Fitzroy, in opening, said that fortunately such cases were extremely rare in Hongkong. In this instance, the defendant was alleged to have assaulted a girl who was practically a baby. The facts were that the child, who lived with her parents at 13, Peking Road, Kowloon, was taken out on the morning of October 31, when the accused promised to buy her something to eat. They left about 9.15 and returned between 10.30 and 11 o'clock. The child was then crying and complained of being hurt. She was later taken to the doctor who found that she had been assaulted, and the suggestion of the Crown was that the injury had been caused by the defendant. The jury would first be shown how the little girl was taken out by the accused, and would afterwards have placed before them a statement made by the defendant which would require some explanation. It was purely circumstantial evidence, as nobody saw anything happen.

His Lordship said there was some doubt as to the admissibility of the second statement.

Mr. Hin Shing-lo said he wished to object to the Attorney General reading the statement at this stage.

Mr. Fitzroy replied that he did not intend to reveal it until later, but he had mentioned it because it required some explanation.

Mother's Evidence.

Tsui Lee-ying, mother of the child, gave evidence of the accused, who lived in the same house, offering to take the child out on the morning in question, promising to buy her something to eat. When they returned, the child was in defendant's arms, and was crying.

Cross-examined, witness said accused was in the habit of taking the child out, and she (witness) had never objected, because she knew him so well. Never before had the child returned crying.

Dr. A. D. Wong, medical officer at the Kowloon Hospital, said he examined the child when she was brought to the hospital and found she was suffering from a superficial wound. It was possible that the wound could have been caused by an indecent assault, but not as the result of a fall.

The case is proceeding.

CRIME IN LONDON.

ATTEMPTS TO CARRY OFF BUSINESS GIRL.

London, Dec. 20. An amazing attempt to drug and decoy a London business girl occurred last night.

The girl was examining Christmas gifts in a shop window in a busy part of Holborn, when a woman touched her arm and said a pin was sticking in her coat, then moved off. Soon the woman returned and pleaded sickness, and asked the girl to assist her to a car.

The girl became suspicious, and declined, and went on to her office where she collapsed. A doctor was called and found she had been drugged with a hypodermic injection. She was unconscious for three hours.

Cigar Store Robbed.

Four elegantly-dressed bandits last night drew up to a cigar store opposite St. James's Palace, and under the eyes of a Guardsman sentry, who was unable to move from his beat, smashed a window and took away a costly cabinet containing 2,000 cigars. They drove off furiously into the fog.

The Guardsman persuaded a passing motorist to give chase, but the bandits escaped.—*Reuters Special Service.*

"The Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy—"If God, the All-in-all, be the creator of the spiritual universe, including man, then everything entitled to a classification as truth, or Science, must be comprised in a knowledge or understanding of God, for there can be nothing beyond illimitable divinity." (p. 127)

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:—

Chinese Company.

Strength.—Constable R14 Leung Fat, R32 Yeung Po Kan and R38 Lai Yau have been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company as from 10th and 13th November, and 7th December, 1931, respectively.

Training Course.—Part I.—The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part I of Training Course:—Constables R31 Chak Ho K, R36 Ho Yu Nam, R41 Yung Siu Chung and R32 Yeung Po Kan.

Training Course.—Part II.—All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, on Tuesday, December 22nd at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Training Course.—Part I.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, December 24th at 5.30 p.m.

N. C. Os. Class.—There will be no N. C. Os. class on Friday, December 25th, 1931.

Indian Company.

Strength.—Constables R270 Abdul Majid and R271 M. Peraz have been taken on the strength of the Indian Company as from December 18th, 1931.

Leave.—Constable R239 K. B. Sheikh has returned from leave.

Constable R252 Shah Mohamed has been granted 10 months' leave of absence from the Colony.

Inspection Parade.—All members are reminded of the inspection parade to be held at Central Police Station on Wednesday, December 23rd, at 5.30 p.m.

Training Course.—Part II.—All members who have not passed Part II of Training Course should attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central on Thursday, December 24th at 5.30 p.m.

Sharpshooters Company.

Strength.—Constable R442 J. D. Bickelstaff has been taken on the strength of the Sharpshooters Company as from 17th December, 1931.

Notice.—A meeting of N. C. Os. and Squad leaders will be held at the office of the O.I.C. Co. on Tuesday, December 22nd at 5.15 p.m.

(Sgd.) L. K. King, D. S. P. (t).

Hongkong, December 21, 1931.

"THE GHOST TRAIN."

FINE BRITISH FILM AT QUEEN'S.

The high standard now attained by British film producers is well attested in the current programme at the Queen's Theatre, where the Gainsborough picture, "The Ghost Train," is now showing. In addition, there are two other excellent British productions, the always-interesting Ideal Cine Magazine, and a very charming featurette entitled "Toyland."

"The Ghost Train" is an intensely interesting film in which the atmosphere of mystery is well sustained until the unexpected denouement, which proves most thrilling. It would spoil the picture for those who have not seen it to reveal the manner in which the theme is worked out; suffice it to say that this story of the haunted little Cornish railway station and of the real explanation of the ghost train holds the attention to the end. Jack Hulbert is seen in the main role—that of an apparently irresponsible young blood who later turns out to be on very serious business. He is extremely funny in the lighter moments, in which respect he is ably backed up by Miss Cicely Courtneidge. The other parts are also in very capable hands, whilst the settings are altogether admirable.

No-one should miss this fine all-British programme, which drew crowded houses yesterday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hiking Club.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I am authorised by a number of enthusiasts in the sports of hiking and hill-climbing to ask you to publish a public message to others of the same mind.

It is our wish to form a Central Hiking and Climbing Club in the Colony, the first object of which would be to provide maps, equipment, protection and similar services for the good of all who enjoy the pastime of walking in the open air.

We are anxious to meet with all who are interested and would welcome the co-operation of any existing private clubs.

It has been proposed, when all letters have been received, to hold an inaugural general meeting at some suitable place.

Communications should be addressed to the undersigned c/o P.O. Box No. 202—Yours, etc., S. MORRIS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

LIST OF LAST WEEK'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Monday, 14th December.—Miss S. Walter and Miss I. Walter arrived at Government House.

Tuesday, 15th December.—His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Lady Peel, performed the opening ceremony of the new Dam of the Aberdeen Water Scheme.

Wednesday, 16th December.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel lunched with Captain and Mrs. Marrack in H.M.S. Midway and were shown over H.M. Submarine Parthian. Mr. Schreiber arrived at Government House. The following dined at Government House:—Sir William Cornhill, Dr. and Mrs. Venn, Miss Cramp, Mr. Ponsonby Fane.

Thursday, 17th December.—His Excellency the Governor presided at the meetings of the Executive and Legislative Councils. Captain Drew of H.M.S. "Cumberland" called on His Excellency. Captain Drew and Mr. Watson lunched at Government House. Mr. Schreiber left Government House. The following dined at Government House:—Sir William Cornhill, Dr. and Mrs. Venn, Miss Cramp, Mr. Ponsonby Fane.

Friday, 18th December.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel visited the Tung Wah and Tung Wah Eastern Hospitals, where they were received by the Committee. The following lunched at Government House:—The Hon. Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Lord Glenapp, Lady Stow, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Mackie, the Hon. Patricia Mackay, Miss Stow and Miss Mackie. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel dined with His Excellency Admiral Sir Howard and Lady Kelly in H.M.S. Kent, and attended the Ball given by Commodore and Mrs. Walker in H.M.S. Tamar.

Saturday, 19th December.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel lunched with the Hon. Dr. and Mrs. Kotewall, and subsequently watched the Rugby football match between the Royal Navy and the Hongkong Rugby Football Club.

RED INDIANS SNOWBOUND.

Gallup, New Mexico, Nov. 27. On the high, snow-swept plateau of "mesas" of Malapala 600 snow-bound Navajo and Zuni Indians are faced with death from starvation and cold, while their rescuers are pressing into the wild country bringing food and medical supplies.

The tribesmen, out on the annual pinon nut hunting expedition with their women and children, were cut off amid the snow-covered hills a week ago, with deep drifts, barring their return to the comforts of their usual semi-civilisation.

Relief parties rescued 600 other Indians on a similar expedition, finding nine dead among them when the sun melted the drifts enough to permit horsemen to carry food through the broken country.

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U.S. SUBMARINES COLLIDE.

Washington, Dec. 17.

The United States submarines S-16 and S-14 collided in the Gulf of Panama to-day while the former was making a submerged approach upon the latter, the Navy Department has been informed.

The outer hulls of both craft were damaged but they were able to proceed to Balboa under their own power to go into dry dock. There were no casualties.

DOGS' HOME.

REPORT FOR PAST MONTH.

During the month of November, 13 dogs were admitted to the S.P.C.A. Dogs' Home, but against this 14 dogs were disposed of in the following way:—Seven sold; one returned to owner; six destroyed. Five of the dogs were destroyed in the lethal chamber, as also was one cat.

There are ten dogs now in the Home and of these nine are awaiting suitable homes. All are in good health and condition. The kennels have just been lime-washed and are in a clean and comfortable condition.

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7.50 p.m. European programme.

7.50 p.m. Programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

7.50 p.m. Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.

7.50-7.55 p.m. Symphony No. 5, "From the New World" (Dvorak Op. 95). Played by Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra M-1.

8 p.m. (Local time and weather report).

7.50-8.23 p.m. Variety.

Song—You Call It Madness.

Song—Sweet and Lovely.

Russ Columbo (Baritone). 22802.

Cornet Solo—For You Alone.

Song—Because.

Song—Dear Love, My Love (Friml).

Song—The Story of the Piper (John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge). B3896.

Vocal Duet—Would You Like to Take a Walk, Julia Sanderson and Frank Crumit.

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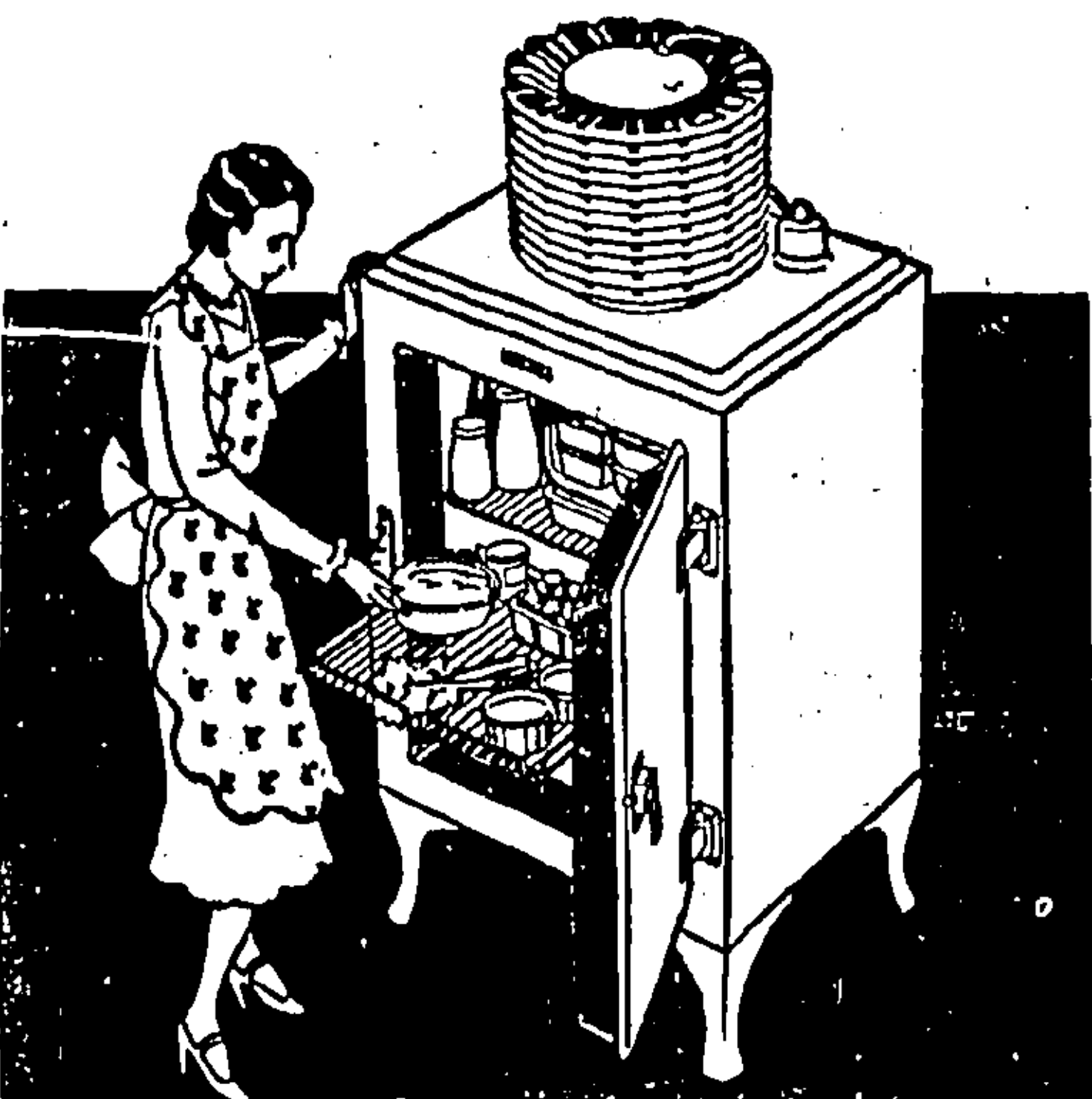


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TEST CRICKET.

SOUTH AFRICA WELL IN ARRARS.

Sydney, Dec. 19.
Brilliant batting by Don Bradman and K. Rigg characterized the second day's play in the Test match here between Australia and South Africa. The tourists, who were dismissed for 153 runs on Friday, are well in arrears, Australia overtaking that total when they had eight wickets in hand. At the close of play the score was 444 runs for seven wickets, of which Rigg contributed a stylish 127 and Bradman 112, the latter thus reaching three figures in his two Test matches against South Africa.

Woodfull and Rigg continued the innings for Australia this morning, but after the captain had taken his score to 58 he was caught off Vincent, the left hander. Rigg was joined by Bradman and the two quickly passed the South Africans' total. At the lunch interval the score was 103 for two wickets, Rigg 84 and Bradman 11. The newcomer to Test cricket was dismissed for being dismissed, but not until after he had contributed a brilliant 127.

McCabe went to the wicket and the two New South Wales batsmen were then associated in another valuable partnership. Bradman was caught when he had scored 112 and McCabe when his total had reached 79. Nitschke, who was brought into the team in the First Test match at Brisbane, defied the bowling but at 47 his stumps were disturbed. Lee was sent back for a "duck" and at the close of play the total stood at 444 runs for seven wickets, Oldfield, the New South Wales captain having scored four.

The full scores follow:

| South Africa.—1st Innings. | | | | |
|--|-----|--|--|--|
| H. Mitchell, b McCabe | 1 | | | |
| J. A. J. Christy, c Nitschke, b Grimmett | 14 | | | |
| P. B. Morkel, st Oldfield, b Grimmett | 20 | | | |
| H. W. Taylor, c Lee, b Grimmett | 7 | | | |
| H. B. Cameron, b Wall | 11 | | | |
| E. L. Dalton, b Grimmett | 37 | | | |
| K. Rigg, b Bradman | 127 | | | |
| C. L. Vincent, not out | 31 | | | |
| E. L. Brown, b McCabe | 2 | | | |
| N. A. Quinn, b McCabe | 5 | | | |
| A. J. Bell, b McCabe | 0 | | | |
| Extras | 4 | | | |
| Total | 153 | | | |

Bowling Analysis.

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|------------|----|----|----|----|
| Wall | 18 | 3 | 46 | 1 |
| McCabe | 12 | 5 | 13 | 1 |
| Grimmett | 24 | 12 | 28 | 4 |
| Ironmonger | 12 | 1 | 38 | 1 |
| Lee | 7 | 1 | 24 | 1 |

Australia.—1st Innings.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| W. M. Woodfull, c Mitchell, b Vincent | 58 |
| W. H. Pondford, b Quinn | 16 |
| K. Rigg, b Bell | 127 |
| D. G. Bradman, c Viljoen, b Morkel | 112 |
| S. J. McCabe, c Christy, b Vincent | 79 |
| H. C. Nitschke, b Bell | 47 |
| P. K. Lee, c Cameron, b Brown | 0 |
| W. A. Oldfield, not out | 4 |
| Extras | 12 |
| Total (for 7 wks.) | 444 |

OPIUM CONVENTION.

SOVIET DECIDES TO ACT INDEPENDENTLY.

Moscow, Dec. 20.
It is announced that M. Litvinov, the Foreign Commissar, has informed the League of Nations that the Soviet does not intend to sign the International Narcotics Convention but will use her own legislation against the abuse of narcotics and the smuggling thereof.—Reuter.

KIDDIES' XMAS PARTY.

SUCCESSFUL GATHERING AT KOWLOON B.C.C.

It was a happy idea on the part of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club to provide a Christmas treat for the kiddies in the shape of sports and a party, the first annual effort taking place on the Club's grounds on Saturday afternoon. The gathering was an unqualified success and not one youngster who attended went away empty-handed, gifts being distributed to luckless competitors as well as prizes to the winners.

All the events were well patronised and some good contests were seen. The race for Waa Tots, under four years of age, created much amusement and, incidentally, was a knotty one for decision by the Judges.

The awards were to have been distributed by Mrs. W. T. Southern, but owing to sickness she was not able to attend, and Mrs. G. E. F. Thompson, wife of the Club's President, deputised for her. Among those present was the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.

By permission of Lieut. Col. N. C. Bennett, O.B.E., M.C., and officers of the 2nd Batt Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, the Dance Band rendered selections during the afternoon, which were much appreciated. A range of the banding, which concluded the afternoon's events, was won by Handaman Jenkins.

The Officials.

The Sports Sub-Committee Convenor was Mr. B. Wylie. Members: H. H. Rose, R. Hall, P. L. Rapley, W. Venables, R. S. Nichol and A. W. E. Davidson.

Marshalls: Messrs. Meyer, Venables, Beat and Gardiner. Handicappers: Messrs. Rogers, West, Hogbin and Nichol.

Starters: Messrs. Booth, Warren and Nish.

Judges: Messrs. Hale, Mahoney, Rapley, Terry and Hard.

Clerks of the Course: Messrs. Logan, Farmer and Ashworth.

Ten Convenor: Mr. H. H. Rose. Members: Messdames Hale, McIntosh, Rapley, Mahoney, Logan, Watson, Davidson, Ferguson, Nichol, Lawson, Sturgeon, Booth, Meyer and the Misses Nichol, Booth and Holland.

Prizes and gifts were bought by Messdames Davidson, Rapley and Watson.

In addition to what they had won or had been presented with, each child received a bag of sweets and an orange at the gate when leaving the grounds.

The Speeches.

Prior to calling upon his wife to distribute the prizes, Mr. Thompson said: As you know this is the first occasion on which we have held a children's sports day, and in view of our lack of previous experience in this rather strenuous form of entertainment, I think we have managed fairly well.

The original suggestion came, I believe, from Mr. Davidson, via that useful institution, the Suggestion Book. This was early in the year, and in due course the suggestion came before the General Committee for consideration. The idea appeared good to them, but it was apparent that we could not do the thing on the scale we should have liked, owing to the limitation of our grounds, so the General Committee was reluctantly compelled to confine the affair to members' children only. As we have seen to-day, our grounds have been fully taken up by them.

Well, the General Committee, with the usual facility displayed by General Committees, then handed the baby on to a Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee in turn showed their knowledge of the game by co-opting several helpers from among the general members, and we soon had quite a number of workers engaged on planning to-day's sports.

To all of these ladies and gentlemen the Club owes a debt of gratitude.

and I wish to take this opportunity of extending our thanks to them.

Well Organised.

When the General Committee delegated the matter to a Sub-Committee, they took the very wise step of making Mr. B. Wylie Convenor of that Committee, and by so doing ensured that the whole thing would be thoroughly well organised and seen to a successful conclusion. I assure you, to-day's affair, though it may not seem on a big scale, has required quite a lot of foresight and hard work, and I think you will agree that Mr. Wylie and his co-workers have done exceedingly well.

After the General Committee had relieved themselves of the onus of the work they had to look around for some way of relieving the Club from the financial burden, so they had a circular, asking for support, sent to all members.

Financial Response.

A very ready response soon showed that no fears need be entertained on the score of cost. Not only members who attend the Club, but those who rarely find themselves able to come here, sent funds along, and the Club thanks them all very much for their valued assistance.

We had expected to have Mrs. Southern here to-day to present the prizes, but, unfortunately, she is unable to attend as she is sick. Mrs. Southern, I am sure, would have liked very much to have been here, and I wish, on behalf of the Club, to express our thanks to her for accepting our request to distribute the prizes and, at the same time, our regret that she is ill and to wish her a speedy recovery.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, our object to-day is to amuse the children, and as I know nothing less calculated to do that than speech-making so I will now ask Mrs. Thompson to deputise for Mrs. Southern and present the prizes.

Special Gifts.

After the prizes had been presented, Mr. B. Wylie expressed thanks to Mrs. Thompson for officiating, and asked her to present special gifts to Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Rapley and Mrs. Watson, for their kindness in buying the gifts and presents for the children.

After this presentation had been performed, three cheers were heartily given for Mrs. Thompson.

Sports Results.

The sports results are appended.

Boys' Potato Race:—1, A. Lapsley; 2, R. Lapsley; 3, G. Goodwin.

Girls' Skipping Race:—1, Margaret Lawson; 2, G. Jones; 3, E. Nichol.

Boys' Flat Race (4-7 years):—1, F. Lapsley; 2, A. S. Fraser; 3, Robert Booth.

Girls' Flat Race (4-7 years):—1, Betty Goodwin; 2, Kathleen McTavish; 3, Joan Hale.

Boat Race (Boys):—1, Bobby Nichol; 2, M. Brown; 3, R. Lapsley.

Three-Legged Race (Girls):—1, Etta Nichol and Gwen Jones; 2, Joan Booth and Muriel McCaw.

Wheelbarrow Race (Boys):—1, Mac Brown and Dick Branch; 2, Edgar Packie and Bobby Nichol.

Skipping Race (Girls—4 to 7 years):—1, Betty Goodwin; 2, Joyce Sturgeon; 3, Kathleen McTavish.

Sack Race (Boys):—1, A. D. McTavish; 2, Wilson Laine; 3, Billy Thompson.

Egg and Spoon Race (Girls):—1, Muriel McCaw; 2, Joan Booth; 3, Etta Nichol.

Three-Legged Race (Boys):—1, Dick Branch and Mac Brown; 2, Jeffrey Goodman and Anthony Lapsley.

Musical Chairs (Girls):—1, Joan Laurensen; 2, Muriel McCaw.

Tiny Tots Race (4 years and under):—1, Clifford Ferguson; 2, Hanley Clarke; 3, John Laurensen.

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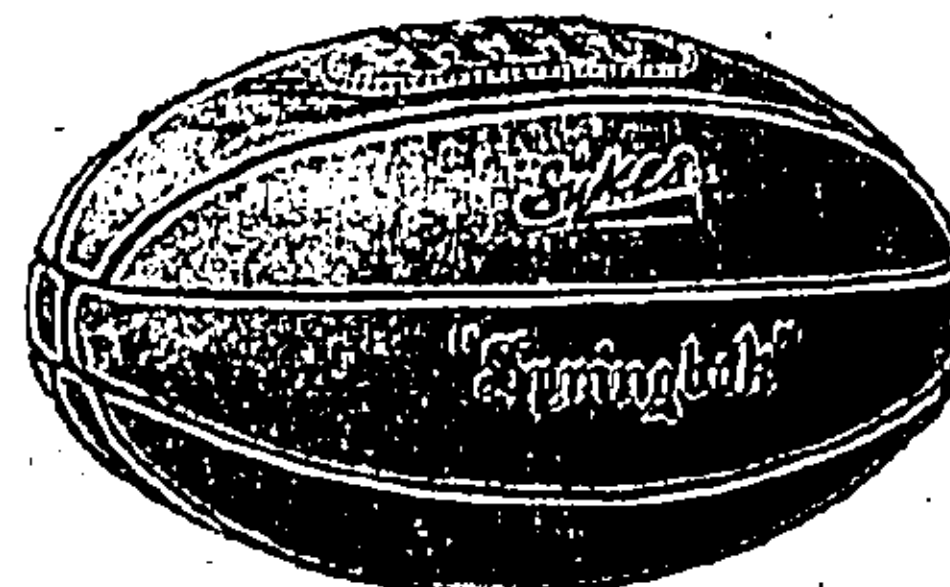
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NO SURPRISES ON SATURDAY.

ARGYLLS AND NAVY
WIN AGAIN.

HEAVY SCORING.

Saturday's soccer lacked a surprise result, though the Navy were rather fortunate to emerge with both points from their duel with the Borderers. The results were:

| Senior Division. | |
|------------------|-------------|
| Argylls | 2 Club |
| St. Joseph's | 3 Police |
| Recreio | 1 Kowloon |
| Navy | 3 Borderers |

| Second Division. | |
|------------------|--------------|
| Borderers | 8 Club |
| Kowloon | 0 12th Batty |
| University | 1 R.A.O.C. |

| Third Division. | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| St. Joseph's | 1 Recreio |
| Chan Lim-pak Trophy. | |
| Hongkong | 0 Canton |

A SPARKLING GOAL.

Skinner's Part in Navy's Victory.

A sparkling goal by Skinner five minutes after the start put the Navy on good terms with themselves and splendidly as the Borderers afterwards played they could not break down the steadiness of the opposing defence in which Dixon and Shirras were outstanding.

Skinner snapped up a delightful pass by Dickenson, ran nearly to the goal-line and put in a terrific drive from a seemingly impossible angle. It struck the post on the far side and rebounded into the net. The goal enabled the Navy to reach the interval on level terms after they had had much the worst of the general exchanges.

The Borderers were at all times the more polished side and though they were often upset in their pattern-weaving movements by the skilful positioning of Shirras and the watchfulness of Dixon, the Navy got had many nervous moments.

Jones did, however, get through before the interval and when the game restarted, the Borderers were the fancied side. Dickenson snapped up a good opportunity in great style, however, and though the Borderers again got on terms through Duncan, Rush headed the winning goal before the end.

Exhilarating football marked the game almost from start to finish. Stephens was an exceedingly weak spot in an otherwise powerful Navy eleven and had the Borderers concentrated on this wing, the result might have been different.

Mullane and Morrison did great work at back for the Borderers and Underwood was outstanding in a good line of halves. The forwards played attractively, but more direct methods pay bigger rewards.

CLUB DEFENCE IN FORM.

Argylls Score Twice in Second Half.

The Club defenders played remarkably well on the whole and a lively Argyll attack was held in check until fairly late in the second half when McTavish obtained the goal for which the Argylls had been pegging away. Soon afterwards, MacFarlane had the misfortune to put through his own goal to give the soldiers a two-goal victory.

Much better teamwork by the Argylls gave them the lion's share of play, and Howe was too well marked at the other end to display his match-winning shooting abilities.

Rodger displayed almost uncanny accuracy in fielding shots from all angles, while Strange was the best back on the field, tackling coolly and kicking with excellent judgment.

The half-backs were hardworking, but failed to get the ball up to the forwards accurately.

RECREIO WELL BEATEN.

Much Improved Display by Kowloon.

Kowloon had every reason to be satisfied with their display against the Recreio, which showed a marked improvement. They won by three goals to one, and but for the fact that Timberlake was not on the target, would have increased the margin of their success.

The Recreio began in lively fashion, both A. V. and B. Gosano distinguishing themselves. After Ward had hit the post with a fierce drive, Kowloon established a mastery and showing commendable enterprise, kicked twice in quick time. Duncan flashed the ball into the net from Blackford's centre and Gillott scored with a rasping shot on the turn.

LOCAL RUGBY.

NAVY TOO GOOD FOR CLUB.

Their Excellencies the Governor, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, and Major General J. W. Sandilands were amongst the spectators at the Rugby match between the Club and the Navy on Saturday, when a keen game was witnessed. The Navy forwards were particularly good, a fact which was mainly responsible for their victory. They led by a try at half-time and when the final whistle sounded they were winners by nine points to five.

The Navy and Army meet at Sookunpo on Tuesday at 4.15 p.m.

The Kowloon Football Club had an easy win over H.M.S. Hermes on Saturday, scoring 13 points to three.

SERVICES BILLIARDS.

The final of the Services Billiards Tournament organised by the Y.M.C.A. will be played on December 22 at 6.30 p.m. between H.M.S. Midway and the South Wales Borderers "A" team.

The match will take place at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.

In the second half, the Recreio retaliated spiritedly and A. V. Gosano obtained a typical goal, retrieving an "impossible" ball to glide it out of Garevitch's reach. A bright individual effort by Dornay produced the decisive goal for Kowloon.

AN EASY GAME.

Police Score Six Against St. Joseph's.

St. Joseph's showed that they cannot be treated lightly all the time by getting three goals, but there was never any real doubt as to the result. St. Joseph's defence was poor for the most part, and though they tried hard, could not hold a lively-looking Police attack.

The Police led by 2-1 at the interval, increased it to 5-1, lost a couple of goals quickly, and then completed the score at 6-3. The Police played fairly good football. The half-backs were in splendid form and kept their forwards constantly piled with good passes. The St. Joseph's forward line, in which Hollywood, Ali and Leonard all did good work, languished for lack of support.

CHINESE INTERPORT.

Canton Win First Game of Series.

The first game in the series for a trophy presented by Mr. Chan Lim-pak was played at Caroline Hill between Canton and Hongkong, the result being a win for the visitors by the only goal scored. There was a good attendance and among those present was the Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy, C.B.E., who kicked off.

The Hongkong Amateur Athletic Federation were the hosts at a dinner held on Saturday evening in Lane Crawford's Restaurant, Exchange Building, where the combined Canton football team, representing the Canton Navy, Air Force and Police, were the guests.

After the dinner, Mr. Mok Ying-kwai, the Chairman of the H.K. C.A.A.F., congratulated the visitors on winning the match against the combined Hongkong Chinese team on their second visit. He said that the game was an excellent one, and the Canton team showed great determination and played with remarkable skill, fully deserving their victory. The game arranged between the two cities he added, was an opportunity for training and led toward an improvement of the game.

The Chairman presented three banners to the visitors (one for each section) as souvenirs of their success.

CHARITY MATCH.

University Win Against G. C. H.

A charity match took place yesterday on the Club ground between a team representing the staff of the Government Civil Hospital and a University eleven, the proceeds being in aid of the hospital's Christmas fund for free patients. The Varsity won by one goal to nil.

Sir William Hornell very ably carried out the duties of referee, for which he received three hearty cheers on leaving the field.

The Sun Co. very kindly presented a ticket, which was called at 20 in the clubhouse after the match, and the winning ticket was No. 18. The winner can get the ball by applying to Mr. F. P. Anslow, Government Civil Hospital.

MARTON GOLF CHAMPION.

BEATS SHEWAN ON
LAST GREEN.

In a game in which the result was in doubt up to the last green, O. E. C. Marton yesterday took the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Championship from I. W. Shewan. It is the first time Marton has held the title.

Because both players disputed the lead throughout, the game was not without its interest, but Marton and Shewan have played much better golf. Marton's putting left much to be desired, although off the tee he was in good form, and Shewan, who was not favoured with the best of luck, excelled on the greens.

Taking the lead at the second, Shewan was three up at the sixth, but Marton made up the lead gradually and was on even terms at the 13th. They finished the morning round all square and continued in the afternoon with Shewan in the lead most of the time. Marton squared at the 16th, the next two were level and Shewan lost the game when he missed a six-yard putt at the last.

Approximate Scores.

Morning.

Marton—4-4-5-4-5-3-3-5=38
6-4-3-4-5-5-5-4=41 79.

Shewan—4-3-3-5-4-5-3-4-6=37
5-5-3-4-4-5-4-4=42 79.

Afternoon.

Marton—4-5-4-5-4-5-3-4-5=39
5-5-3-4-4-4-4-5-3=37 76.

Shewan—4-4-4-4-5-5-4-6=38
4-5-3-4-4-5-4-5=39 77.

Governor's Shield.

In the Governor's Shield competition the following were the results of the second round matches played off yesterday at Fanling:

H.M.S. Tamar beat the Magistral (2 and 1).

David Bog and Co. beat Bank Line (at the 19th green).

Public Works beat Medical Dept. (2 and 1).

Canadian Pacific beat Royal Artillery (2 and 1).

Lane Crawford's beat University (4 and 3).

Naval Yard beat Royal Engineers (2 up).

Hongkong Bank beat Vacuum Oil (3 and 1).

Dodwell and Co. beat Education Dept. (1 up).

LOCAL BILLIARDS.

STEEL, COULSON LEAGUE MATCH.

In the match between St. Patrick's Club, winners of the Steel, Coulsons' Billiards League, and The Rest there was no outstanding play, but some excitement was caused in the last game between L. Remedios and Binns. The match up to this point showed St. Patrick's 70 points ahead. Binns played a good game and reversed the position at 138, with Remedios at 67. The match was then very much in favour of The Rest and Binns continued up to 166, then he struck a bad patch. Remedios came along well at this point and made several useful breaks and gave St. Patrick's the decision at 181. Binns continued to struggle along and won the game, beating Remedios by 19 points.

The following were the scores:—

| St. Patrick's | |
|---------------|------|
| Silva | 200 |
| Nuttall | 200 |
| E. Remedios | 147 |
| Castro | 200 |
| Osmund | 200 |
| L. Remedios | 181 |
| | 1128 |

The Rest.

| | |
|--------------------------|------|
| Smith (S. W. B.) | 182 |
| Bradell (P. R. C.) | 191 |
| Turner (Garr. Mess) | 200 |
| Bailey (R.A.) | 170 |
| Jahman (S. W. B.) | 134 |
| Binns (C. & P. O's Club) | 200 |
| | 1077 |

The presentation will be made on 23/1/32 at an invitation dance at Garrison Lecture Hall.

PHILIPPINE GOLF CHAMPION.

TITLE WON BY LARRY
MONTES.

Larry Montes, the well-known golf pro., has just returned to Hongkong having (1) got married, and (2) again won the Open Golf Championship of the Philippines. His scores in the championship were 78, 70, 74, 75; total, 297.

The next best scorers were T. Applin, 308; Jean Navas, 309; Col. Geer, 312.

Well-known Manila golf players in Bob Mason, Ivory, and Mackay, failed to qualify for the last two rounds.

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London, Dec. 19.

At Washington, the House of Representatives ratified the Hoover Moratorium Plan by 319 votes to 100, after nine hours of continuous and often heated debate. The Bill contains the reservation, introduced by democratic opponents, declaring flat opposition to cancellation or revision of \$12,000,000 European war obligations to the United States.

The Bill to-day goes to the Senate.—*British Wireless.*

Senate Committee Approves.

Washington, Dec. 19.

The Hoover Moratorium plan has been approved by the Finance Committee of the Senate.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Outspoken Statement.

Washington, Dec. 19.

An outspoken statement in regard to the debt position was made by Mr. Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman of the National City Bank of New York, to the Finance Committee of the Senate when that body was considering the Hoover War Debt Moratorium resolution.

Mr. Mitchell expressed the opinion that it would be a miracle if Europe could resume its debt payments at the end of the Moratorium, and suggested that it would be wise to make some further extension or adjustment.

He said that he could not conceive it possible for Germany to pay up her political debts because it would bring about a rebellion among the German youth against the payment.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Bankers' Conference.

Washington, Dec. 20.

After sitting twice daily for over a week the representatives of the bankers, who have been negotiating a new standard agreement for Germany's foreign credits, decided to adjourn from the 22nd to the 28th.

The negotiations, which it is announced, have been progressing steadily and harmoniously, are apparently based on three proposals: (1) The Anglo-Swedish proposal to continue the standstill agreement on a quarterly basis, which has received German support and met with American objection.

(2) The Swiss and Dutch bankers' reported demand that the rate of interest be increased to eight per cent, which the Germans declare would preclude the possibility of early amortisation.

(3) The American demand that the ultimate beneficiary of foreign credits shall give guarantees in addition to the German bankers. The Germans object to such an additional burden to industry.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Bi-Metalism Urged.

Vancouver, Dec. 20.

The necessity for an international agreement for bi-metallic standards for silver and gold as the medium for international exchange, with increased fixed rates for silver, was again stressed by Mr. Stevens, the Canadian Minister of Trade, speaking at a meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade.

Mr. Stevens declared that a large

KUOMINTANG CONGRESS.

CHANG KAI-SHEK NOT
SEEKING ELECTION.

Nanking, Dec. 19.

A political sensation was caused here this evening when it became generally known that well-informed circles were forecasting the re-election of Chiang Kai-shek as Chairman of the National Government when the plenary session of the Central Executive and Central Control Committees of the Kuomintang takes place in a few days.

Much significance attaches to the fact that the forecast originated in the Cantonese camp.

To-day a joint meeting of the Nanking and Canton leaders decided to nominate Chiang Kai-shek as Chairman of the National Defence Committee which is intended to be set up for the control of the National Army.—*Reuter.*

Not a Candidate.

Nanking, Dec. 19.

It was learned late this evening that Chiang Kai-shek has declined the offer of re-election to the Chairmanship of the National Government, and it is understood neither Hu Han-min nor Wang Ching-wei are likely to hold the post, which may go to an elder statesman as the post will not in future carry either political or military power.

It is forecasted that among the appointments expected at the plenary meeting are C.C. Wu (Head of the Judicial Yuan), Sun Fo (Head of the Executive Yuan), Eugene Chen (Foreign Minister), T. V. Soong to remain as Finance Minister.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Hu Declines.

Canton, Dec. 20.

In reply to Mr. Lin Shen's invitation to attend the Nanking Conference, Mr. Hu Han-min expressed deep regret at his inability to accept owing to being under medical advice to refrain from travelling. Mr. Hu says that he has asked Messrs. Wang Ching-wei and Sun Fo to convey his views to the Conference and is always ready to give assistance from without the sphere of politics.—*Reuter.*

Student Outbreaks.

Peking, Dec. 19.

At Talyuanfu the student yesterday surrounded and attacked the provincial Kuomintang Headquarters. Pickets guarding the building opened fire, causing more than 20 casualties among the students.

The local authorities are apparently siding with the students, for they arrested four prominent members of the Kuomintang and all the pickets, and sent up the Kuomintang office which are now in possession of the students.—*Reuter.*

potential increase of Canada's trade with the East depended upon a worldwide agreement restoring the purchasing power of silver currencies in the East.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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FOGS IN BRITAIN.

SERIOUS RAILWAY AND
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Nearly the whole of Britain is in the grip of a severe frost and fog, which has stopped flying, delayed trains, and impeded all traffic.

One of the main roads north-west of London has become like an ice rink. Eye-witnesses tell an amazing story of forty cars crashing one upon the other. All had been travelling homeward to tail, all periodically bumping one into the other like train shunting.

Then, the leading lorry skidded in trying to avoid motor cyclists, and collision followed collision. Hardly one of the cars survived the impacts, and nearly all were stranded on the roadside.

The passengers are awaiting belated trains in overcrowded stations, where they organised games such as leap frog in order to keep warm.—*Reuter.*

A Railway Crash.

London, Dec. 19.

Two were killed and about thirty injured in a railway collision, which occurred in dense fog late last night at Dagenham, Essex, when the 9.20 p.m. passenger train from Fenchurch Street, London, to Tilbury ran into the rear part of a freight train between Barking and Dagenham Dock Stations. The engine and four passenger coaches were badly damaged, and four trucks were also derailed. One passenger and the Guard of the freight train were killed. Rescue work was rapidly organised but hampered by fog.

Life Boat Called Out.

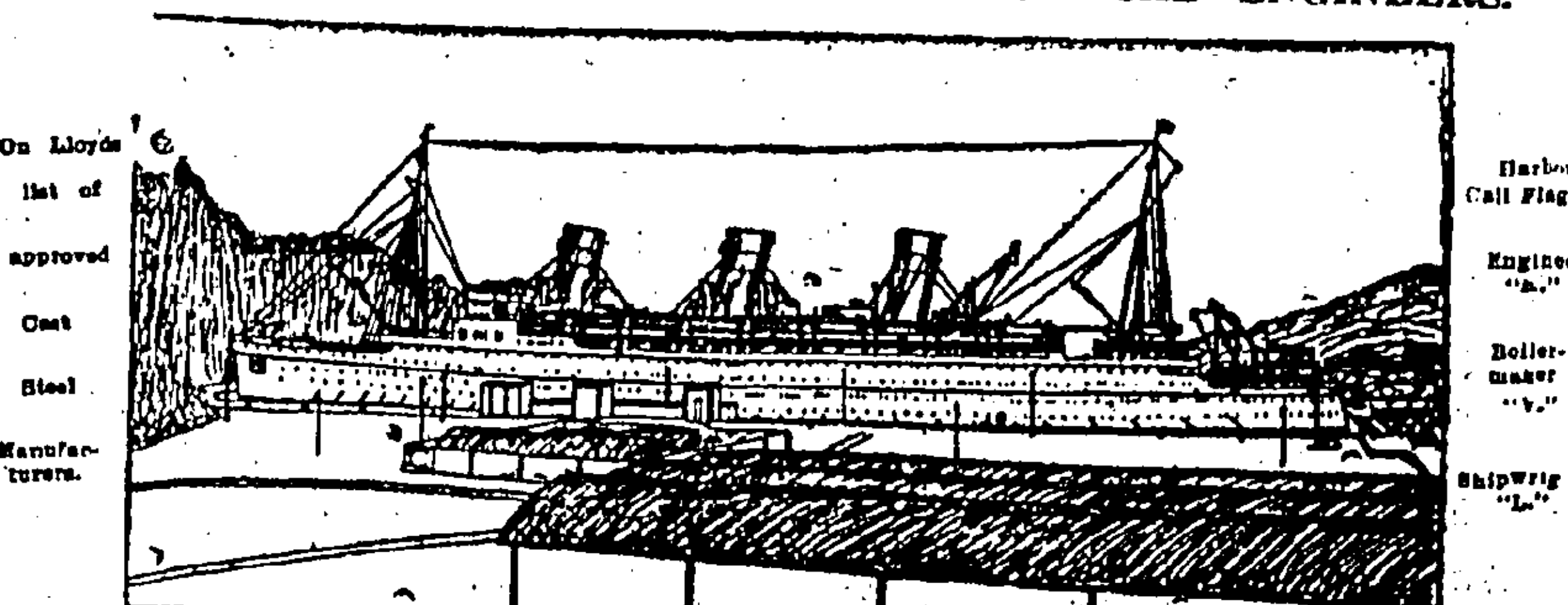
Dungeness and Hythe life boats replied to a call for assistance this morning when the steamers Sea Glory and Rondo were in collision in a heavy fog. It is believed the Rondo suffered only slight damage, and the Sea Glory, which was holed, was able to proceed to Dover with the lifeboat in attendance.—*British Wireless.*

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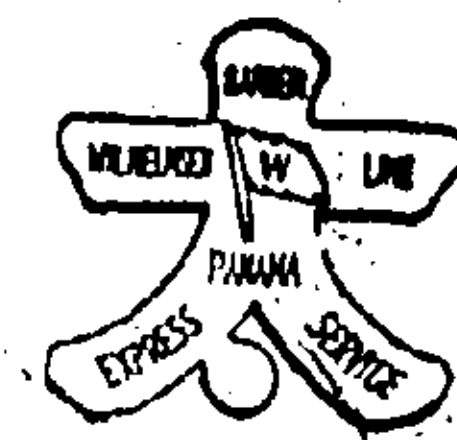
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| NELLORE | 7,000 | 4th Jan. | S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| *KALYAN | 9,100 | 10th Jan. | S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama |
| *KALDA | 7,000 | 15th Jan. | Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka |
| *KASHMIR | 9,000 | 15th Jan. | S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| *SOUDAN | 6,800 | 26th Jan. | S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama |
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THREE KILLED IN AIR COLLISION.

MISHAP IN ARMY PRACTICE.

New York, Dec. 18. Three Selfridge Field army fliers were killed in the collision of two aeroplanes in mid-air over New Baltimore yesterday. The dead are:

Lieut. Lawrence W. Koons, Bloomington, Ill.; Lieut. Charles W. Wilson, air corps reserve, Ann Arbor, Mich.; and Sergeant Walter Lauer, Big Cove, Pa.

The accident occurred while ten planes were flying in formation, engaged in mimic warfare, two simulating an attack on the others. Koons, flying beneath the formation, suddenly nosed his plane upward, striking Wilson's ship.

The two wrecked planes crashed to the field. Koons was alone in a single-seater, and the other carried the other two men.

POLICE ARREST AT PAWNSHOP.

HOW VICTIM DISCOVERED A ROBBERY.

Two men were charged before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning in connection with the theft of a gold watch and clothes to the value of \$122 from No. 42 Bonham Street East last week.

One was charged with larceny and the other with receiving. Detective-Sergeant Edwards, who prosecuted, said second defendant tried to pawn the gold watch in Reclamation Street. He was arrested and later took the Police to the first defendant.

A notice in the Chinese papers concerning the watch gave the owner the first knowledge that he had been robbed.

His Worship imposed a sentence of four months' hard labour on the thief. The second defendant was discharged on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence against him.

BANDIT VICTIM.

WOMAN ARRIVES IN U.S. INSANE.

San Francisco, Dec. 18. After spending 18 years in China, during much of which time she was held in captivity by a gang of bandits, Gertrude Wolters has arrived here insane as a result of her experiences. She was escorted by a deputy marshal and turned over to her mother upon arrival. It was expected she will be committed to some hospital.

BUDDHIST MONKS ROBBED.

HOW HOSPITALITY WAS ABUSED.

3-YEAR SENTENCES.

On their own admissions, Cheng Wing and Lam Lun, alias Tak Shek-lun, were each sentenced to three years' imprisonment with three labour by the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Lindell) at the Criminal Sessions this morning, the former for counselling Lam Lun and others to commit a robbery, and the latter for committing it.

In passing sentence, his Lordship remarked:—"Apparently you abused the hospitality of the monks who entertained you, and induced other people to go and rob them."

Both men were charged that on November 22, 1931, with others unknown they robbed Leung Kam of \$775.30. Two other counts against Cheng Wing were to the effect that he procured Lam Lun and others unknown to commit the robbery, and that he conspired with others to commit it.

Cheng Wing pleaded guilty to procuring and commanding, while Lam Lun pleaded guilty to robbery. In reply to his Lordship, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, for the Crown, said that Lam Lun was sentenced to 28 days' for larceny in 1924.

Box Pried Open.

In outlining the circumstances, Mr. Whyte Smith said the robbery took place at a Buddhist Monastery at No. 19, Staunton Street, at which place Cheng Wing, a relative of the Chief Monk, was cook. The monks kept their money in a box on which there were three locks, and three monks, who had keys, had to be present in order to open the box.

Shortly after 12.45 a.m. on the day in question, three men entered the premises, when the cook was the only person in the place. One of those men was Lam Lun, who was carrying a revolver. The cook was bound and gagged, and the robbers pried open the box, which contained \$827.27, and stole \$775.30, overlooking an amount of \$52.97, which was in a separate compartment.

The cook of the house and another man entered and they were promptly bound and gagged by the robbers.

Both Arrested.

The robbers escaped with the money, and police investigations were started, as a result of which, two days later, Cheng Wing was arrested on board the s.s. Wing On at 6.20 p.m. the boat being due to sail for Kowloon at 7 p.m. He had no luggage and his coat was hanging on a nail, so that he evidently intended to leave the Colony by that boat. On the 27th, Lam Lun was arrested on the Ping On Wharf, from which place boats sailed for Kowloon.

FOUR SAVED FROM WRECK.

SUBMARINE CHASER LOST.

Algiers, Dec. 15. The fears entertained here that the French submarine chaser which was caught in a terrible storm in the Gulf of Bone two days ago, had been lost, have proved only too well grounded.

To-day, six of the survivors of the ill-fated vessel were washed ashore and four of them after a terrible march across the scrub, managed to reach shelter. Two of them died on the way from exhaustion.

The crew of the chaser comprised a petty officer and twelve men and it is now regarded as certain that all with the exception of the four who managed to reach safety to-day have perished.

The chaser was being towed out of Bizerta by a French naval tug in the teeth of the gale when the hawser connecting the two boats snapped. The chaser immediately drifted towards the shore where the tug, its deeper draught, was unable to give any assistance.

ONE-MAN KU KLUX KLAN.

(Continued from Page 1.)

basket containing all the varied equipment aforementioned, was impeding his flight. He took off his hood at the first signs of trouble, but still held on to it together with the basket as he ran.

Caught in Flight.

Chased by a servant in the employ of Sanitary Inspector Lockhart, whose quarters are nearby, the "robber" turned at bay when near the Football Club stand. Resuming his flight, he was subsequently intercepted by two policemen and gave in without further trouble.

Mr. D'Almada, in pleading guilty on behalf of the youth, submitted that he had been misguided in mind, and asked for leniency.

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by that boat. On the 27th, Lam Lun was arrested on the Ping On Wharf, from which place boats sailed for Kowloon.

Answering his Lordship, Mr. Whyte Smith said that none of the money had been recovered.

His Lordship:—I take it that no particular violence was indicated? Mr. Whyte Smith:—No, I don't think so.

His Lordship passed sentence as stated above.

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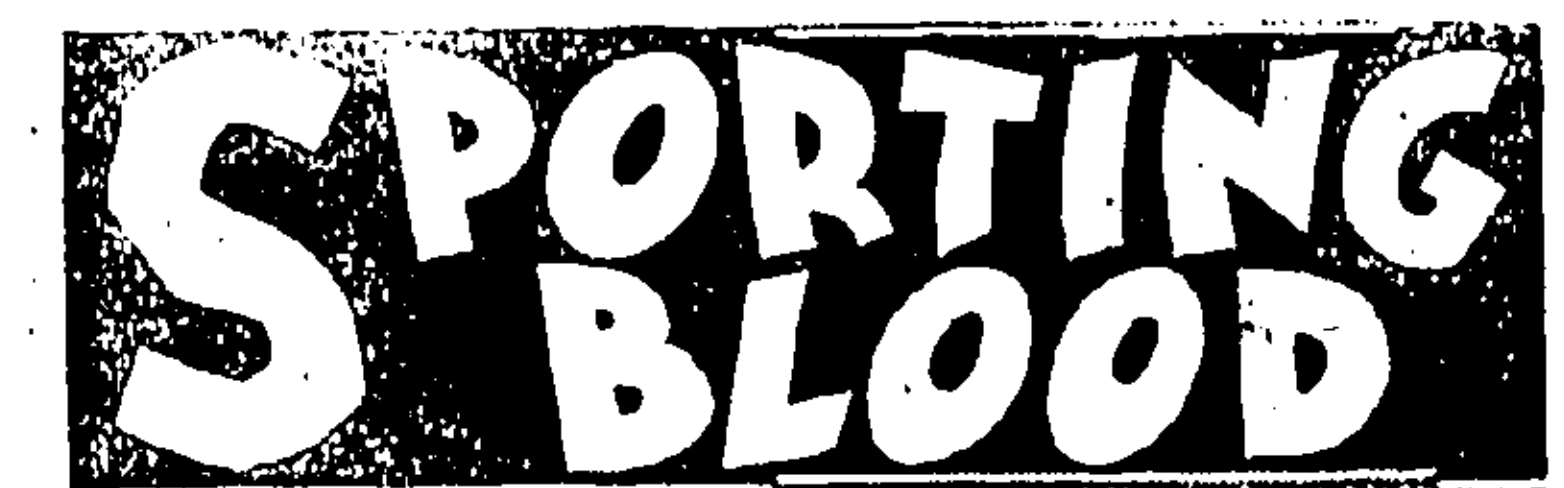
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